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States

Lori Hacking slaying: Salt Lake City authorities have given Lori Hacking's remains to her family for a

private burial Family members received the body Tuesday, four days after searchers found the remains at a landfill, where crews combed through mounds of garbage after Hacking's husband, Mark, allegedly confessed to shooting her and throwing her hody in the trash

Civil servant bonuses: Federal agency heads would be able to offer employees bonuses of up to 100 percent of their annual salaries as an incentive to join or stay in the federal work force under legislation the

House passed Wednesday.

The measure, aimed at helping the gov ernment recruit and retain highly qualified people who might otherwise join the private sector, limits recruitment, relocation and retention bonuses to 25 percent of an annual basic pay in most cases but allows for up to 100 percent for employees who meet a "criti-cal agency need." Political appointees are not eligible for the bonuses

Nader presidential bid: A federal appeals court on Wednesday re-



after the May deadline.

jected independent presidential candidate Ralph Nader's attempt to force his way onto the Texas ballot in the November election.

The 5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in New Orleans ruled that Texas' tough ballot access requirements for independents are constitutional

Nader tried to get on the ballot by collecting voter signatures, but his campaign submitted them two weeks

Aryan Nation charges: The self-proclaimed leader of the Aryan Nation in Nevada was indicted Wednesday by a federal grand jury for allegedly sending threatening e-mails to newspapers in Reno and San

Steven Holten, 40, faces arraignment on one count of transmitting a threat in interstate commerce. The charge carries up to five years in prison and a \$250,000 fine.

D-Day memorial trial: The federal fraud

trial of former National D-Day Memorial director Richard B. Burrow ended Wednesday as jurors deadlocked on whether his aggressive fund-raising efforts were illegal.

Senior U.S. District Judge James Turk declared a mistrial after a visibly frustrated jury of 11 women and one man told him repeatedly, at times tearfully, during two days of deliberations that they disagreed on all eight fraud counts.

Clinic-bombing trial: Prosecutors in the death penalty case against alleged serial bomber Eric Rudolph are distancing themselves from a government expert who once acknowledged making jokes and comments ridiculing blacks.

Forensic chemist Edward Bender, who works for the U.S. Bureau of Alcohol. Tobacco. Firearms and Explosives, will not testify in Rudolph's trial next year, prosecutors said in papers posted Wednesday on a court Web site.

World

Hurricane Ivan: Secretary of State Colin owell pledged millions of dollars in aid to help Grenada recover from the devastation of Hurricane Ivan, saying the American government recognizes urgent needs on the Caribbean island.

"Grenada has been hit the hardest, so you can expect the assistance that we will be providing to you will be significant," Powell said, without providing an exact figure for Grenada's share.

Mideast fighting: Two Palestinian boys, ages 14 and 15, were killed in an Israeli mis-

sile strike on Thursday, their relatives said. The army said the missile was aimed at militants about to fire a Qassam rocket. The boys' relatives said the two had been playing with an empty tube and gasoline-filled bottles, apparently trying to imitate the gunmen who fire rockets

ar disarmament: Russia shrugged off U.S. criticism over nuclear issues Thursday, saying it had made progress in reducing its tactical weapons in Europe and would continue cooperating with Iran's program despite concerns Tehran might be try-

ing to develop atomic weapons. Foreign Ministry spokesman Alexander Yakovenko said a 1991-1992 initiative to reduce tactical nuclear weapons and implement other disarmament measures was being "completely fulfilled."

India's nuclear capability: India will not

sign the Nuclear Nonproliferation Treaty in its present form, Prime Minister Manmohan Singh said Thursday, in his first statement on the country's nuclear policy since

he came to power in May. India is a "responsible" nuclear power that will use nuclear weapons only defensively, Singh said.

Military

Scott Speicher search: Insurgent violence in Iraq has impeded the U.S. military's search for clues to the fate of missing Navy pilot Capt. Michael Scott Speicher, a Marine Corps general

The active phase of the search ended in May and no new leads have emerged since then, Brig. Gen. Joseph J. McMenamin, mili-tary commander of the Iraq Survey Group, told the Senate Armed Services Committee on Wednesday. Speicher was shot



down in an F/A-18 over central Iraq on Jan. 17, 1991, the opening night of the Gulf War.

War on terrorism

His remains were never recovered

Guantanamo detainees: An Army officer at the U.S. prison at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, on Wednesday denied making statements attributed to him in a British newspaper that suggested many of the alleged al-Oaida and Taliban detainees were no threat to the country and would be freed.

In a statement released Wednesday, the military unit running the detention facility said remarks by its deputy commander, Brig. Gen. Martin Lucenti, were "misquoted or taken out of context" by the Financial Times in an article Tuesday.

Business

Fannie Mae investigation: At turns defiant and emotional, Fannie Mae's top executive, Franklin Raines, denied that the mortgage giant's manipulated its earnings and questioned an investigative report of the company's accounting practices as factually deficient.

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General withdraws name as nominee for PACOM

Martin's alleged ties to Boeing tanker deal a sticking point in confirmation hearings

Gen. Gregory S. Martin

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Spokesman for Air Force Materiel Command

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BY ROBERT BURNS

WASHINGTON — The Air Force general who would have been the first from his service to command all U.S. forces in the Pacific is giving up his presidential nomination in the face of a fierce political fight between the Air

Force and the Senate over a controversial deal with Boeing Co.

The Pentagon announced Wednesday night that Gen. Gregory S. Martin, who appeared at his confirmation hearing earlier in the day before the Senate Armed Services Committee, had requested that his nomination to succeed Adm. Thomas Fargo as commander of U.S. Pacific Command be withdrawn.

The Pentagon statement gave no reason for the extraordinary reversal, but a spokesman for Air Force Materiel Command, which Martin has headed since August 2003, said Martin believed that questions raised at the hearing about his connection to the Boeing deal made his confirmation problematic.

Bryan Whitman, a spokesman for Defense Secretary Donald Rums-feld, said Rumsfeld agreed to pull the nomination. He said no decision had been made on a new nominee for the Pacific Command job, which is responsible for U.S. military operations throughout the Pacific and portions of the Indian Ocean.

Martin would have been the first Air Force officer to hold the Pacific Command post, which has traditionally been held by a Navy admiral. Fargo is scheduled to retire this fall, but he apparently will remain until another nominee is chosen and confirmed by the Senate.

It's not clear whether Martin will remain at Air Force Materiel Command. Martin's troubles at his

onfirmation hearing began with statements and confirmation hearing began with statements and question posed by Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz, question proposed deal with Boeing to lease 67 planes for use a serial tankers, and to a scandal parversion proposed deal with proposed to the serial planes for use a serial tankers, and to a scandal parversion proposed to the proposed to make the proposed proposed to the proposed to make the proposed to the proposed to prison Prinday for helping Boeing obtain a lucratic outract in exchange for an executive job at the comment.

Martin is not accused of wrongdoing in either matter, but McCain asserted that the general was "involved" in the \$23 billion tanker lease arrangement. McCain pressed him so hard on the issues Wednesday that Martin concluded his confirmation would be held up for months, said Col. Jack Ivy, spokesman for Air Force Materiel Command. "General Martin's overall assessment is that getting confirmed for U.S. Pacific Command would be difficult of this time." The resid "So in the best in

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McCain is in a long-running dispute with the Pentagon and the Air Force
over his unfulfilled request
for e-mail traffic about the
767 lease deal with Boeing.
McCain has held up other
Pentagon nominations
over this issue, including
that of Lawrence Di Rita
for the job of assistant secretary of defense for public affairs.
McCain said he was

McCain said ne was upset with the Air Force for resisting his requests for e-mails relevant to the tanker lease discussions with Boeing.

"I hope that we can get the remaining e-mails," McCain said. "Actually, I don't know if we ever will or not, because the Air Force has been incredible in their unresponsiveness. But General Martin was involved in this."

McCain cited a letter to the committee from the Defense Department inspector general saying it had received more e-mails from the Air Force on Tuesday, and that it was "assessing the process used to search for documents sent to and from General Martin relating to acquiring a commercially derivative aerial refueling tanker.

McCain has asserted that the arrangement with Boeing amounted to a sweetheart deal that cost taxpayers billions of dollars more than if the Air

Force had purchased aerial tankers instead of trying to lease them. He has pursued Air Force e-mails to build his case against the Boeing deal. Druyun, a former Pentagon and Boeing official, pleaded guilty last spring to conspiracy and admitted that she began job talks with Boeing while she

was overseeing negotiations on the tanker deal.

Martin worked closely with Druyun in 1998-99
while he held the position of principal deputy in
the office of the assistant secretary of the Air
Force for acquisition.

"I'm not an expert in contracting," Martin said in response to McCain's comments. "I saw nothing that she was doing that was inappropriate or in any way illegal."





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Boatswain's Mate 2nd Class Steven Douglas, right, and Boatswain's Mate 1 at Class Ross Zahara, rewmembers on the USS Gary, assist members of a Visit Board Search and Seizure (VBSS) team in coming aboard Wednesday. The team, from the Indian nary frigate INS Brahmaputra, received assistance from U.S. sailors, who went over procedures for boarding, searching and handling suspect vessels. Both ships are taking part in Malabar '04, an exercise designed to increase interoperability between the two navies.

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Power outage

The Department of Public Works is planning a postwide electrical power outage at the Sagamihara Housing Area near Camp Zama, Japan, from 3:30 to 3:45 p.m., and again from 4 to 4:10 p.m., on Oct. 18. During the outages, the Fuji Electric System Company is to rewire an electrical panel in a backup generator used

during off-duty hours. Call DSN 263-3965 for more information.

Family party

YOKOTA AIR BASE, Japan — The Yokota Services Summer Sweeps Customer Rewards Family Party is set for 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday in the Enlisted Club's parking lot.

The event features free food and soft drinks, inflatable fieds, music and entertainment, DH the Clown and door prizes. The Summer Sweeps drawings also will be held, for cash prizes totaling \$6,000, an Alaskan cruise for two, a 42-inch plasma TV with surround sound and two commissary shopping sprees.

The Charm School Drop Outs

The Charm School Drop Outs will perform live at the party, and children can play on the bouncy slide, moon walk and dragon crawl. Call DSN 225-3308 for more information.

Chow hall closure

The Dining Facility at Camp Zama, Japan, will be closed until Oct. 31 as workers complete a renovation project, officials said. The facility is to reopen Nov. 1.

From staff reports

Jenkins' court-martial set to begin Nov. 3

By VINCE LITTLE

Stars and Stripes Army Sgt. Charles Jenkins is about to get his day in court.

Jenkins, accused of abandoning his South Korea post in 1965 and defecting to communist North Korea, will face a general court-martial at Camp Zama, Japan, beginning Nov. 3, said Maj. John Amberg, a U.S. Army

Japan spokesman.

Jenkins, 64, has been charged with desertion, aiding the enemy, soliciting other servicemembers to desert and encouraging dislovalty. Under the Uniform Code of Military Justice, the maximum penalty if convicted of desertion during wartime is death. Sentences in times of peace range from life in prison at hard labor to a dishonorable discharge

The classification under which

Jenkins will be tried remains un-certain: the United States and North Korea were not formally at

war in 1965. Jenkins lived in the reclusive communist nation north of the Demilitarized Zone for about 39 years and reportedly took part in propaganda broadcasts and anti-American films. He flew to Tokyo in July for medical treatment.

In a high-profile surrender Sept. 11 at Camp Zama, Jenkins turned himself over to the U.S military. Army officials promptly placed him back on active duty and assigned him to Headquarters and Headquarters Company, where he's been performing ad ministrative duties

Jenkins has been living in Camp Zama housing since mid-September, with his Japanese wife, Hitomi Soga, and two North Korea-born daughters. "The court-martial date has

been set for Nov. 3," Amberg said. "Courts-martial are open to the public. The judge would decide, for whatever reasons, if it

wasn't going to be open."

Amberg offered no additional details about the upcoming trial and said he can't release the judge's name. According to Reuters news service, a military judge will be flown in from the United States

Col. John Dykstra, an interna tional law specialist, said last month that producing a verdict would take one to three months and for U.S. Army Japan, the designated convening authority, to sign a final sentencing report would take an additional two

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Sgt. Charles Jenkins, an alleged U.S. Army deserter, is shown accepting an advance payment that is offered to soldiers in need of financial assistance Sept. 11. Jenkin's court-martial trial will begin Nov. 3.

Labor department launches program for injured veterans

BY SANDRA JONTZ Stars and Stripes

ARLINGTON, Va. - Troops wounded in Iraq and Afghanistan who want to continue to work but can't return to active duty nov have a program launched by the Labor Department to help them

find jobs in the civilian sector. Troops will get individualized help, from counselors identifying their interests and likes and matching those to available jobs and careers, to identifying what equipment or products, such as voice-activated computer software, they might need to do the job, said Chick Ciccolella, deputy assistant secretary for Veterans Employment and Training at the Labor Department.

"We provide person-to-person assistance and focus on employment assistance to the nation's disabled servicemembers when they return from the global war on terror," he said.

For now, the program is provided only to wounded servicemem-bers treated at Walter Reed Army Medical Center in Washing ton, D.C., and the National Naval Medical Center in Bethesda, Md.

"Initially, we're focusing on Walter Reed and Bethesda and have permanent, full-time out-stationed disabled veteran representatives on site, making person-to-person contact with those individuals."

The counselors then will follow up to make sure the jobs meet the troops' expectations and they are well equipped to do the job, he

Requests to interview patients were not granted.

Eventually, the program aims to expand other military treatfacilities treating wounded in Iraq and Afghanistan, While Landstuhl Army Medical Center in Germany is a possibility, it is unlikely because wounded troops quickly transfer from there to stateside hospitals.

Counselors also will backtrack through hospital patient records to contact discharged troops and determine if they might be in need of the job services

The program officially kicked off Monday, but has actually been operational for approximately 30 days, with one counselor posted

at both Walter Reed and Bethesda, Ciccolella said. The program mirrors, to an ex-

tent, services offered by the Denartment of Veterans Affairs The VA's program differs in that it's applicable to troops who suffer from a 20 percent disability rat-ing or higher, said Judy Caden, director of Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment Service at Veterans Affairs. The VA's program for disabled

troops offers skills training from the basics of resume, interviewing skills, job market opportunities to individualized assessments addressing their specific disabilities and arraigning accommodations; "tools they need to perform Caden said.

There are currently about

95,000 veterans in the overall program at various stages, she said from those just applying to those who found jobs.

The Labor Department budgeted \$500,000 to pay for the counse-lors, equipment, Internet services and to create a national assis-tance center of counselors and services targeted at wounded troops slated to come online by the spring, said Daniel Nichols, special assistant for strategic com-munications at Veterans Employment and Training.

General information on employment services for all Americans is available by calling 877-US2JOBS (877-872-5627) or calling the Internet

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Officials to make flight to show confidence in MV-22

By SANDRA JONTZ Stars and Stripes

ARLINTON, Va. - When Gen. Brvan Brown parachutes Friday out of an MV-22 Osprey, it'll be of his own volition.

Brown, commanding general of Special Operations Command, will be joined by other top officials in an orientation of the once-troubled tilt-rotor aircraft program, including Air Force Chief of Staff Gen. John Jumper, who will revert to his days of flight as he co-pilots one of the Osprey flights at Marine Corps Air Station New River, N.C.

Rounding out the passenger list is Air Force Secretary James Roche and Thomas O'Connell, assistant secretary of defense for Special Operations and Low-intensity Conflict, who will be take separate orientation flights to learn more about the aircraft.

"It's important to them to familiarize themselves with the aircraft." Air Force spokesman Lt. Col. Mike Caldwell said of Roche's and Jumper's desires to fly in the aircraft. "They haven't had a chance to fly on it before and this gives them an opportunity to see it first-hand and have a better idea of how they want to carry on with the program in the future."

In August 2000, a Marine Corps Osprey crashed during a training flight in Arizona killing its 19 passengers. Another crashed



A Bell Boeing MV-22 Osprey comes in for a landing at the Pentagon on Sept. 8, 1999. Military officials are going to show their confidence in the once-troubled aircraft by making a flight in an Osprey on Friday.

in December that same year in North Carolina, killing four Marines and bringing the testing program to a halt. But since the MV-22 return to flight in May 2002, the aircrafts have more than 1,740 safe and incident-free flight hours, Campbell said.

The Marine Corps has not taken steps crews would not ordinarily take to prepare for the flights, even if it's for the Air Force Secretary and Chief of Staff and other high-ranking officials, said Corps spokesman Capt. Jerome Bryant.

The MV-22 has tilt-rotor capabilities that let it take off and land vertically like a helicopter, but fly like a fixed-wing airplane. It is being built by Boeing's helicopter divi-

sion and Bell Helicopter Textron. The Air Force wants 50 Ospreys for special operations missions, and the Marine Corps intends to buy 360 to replace its aging fleet of CH-53D Sea Stallion and CH-46E Sea Knight helicopters as its prima-ry troop transporter. The Navy might buy

Putting top leaders into the aircraft "puts a glowing endorsement on the pro-gram itself if they're willing to do something like that," said J. Joseph, a retired Marine Corps colonel with 20,000 flight hours in aircraft ranging from general aviation to high performance military and air carrier aircraft, including 22 years of experience in aviation accident analysis and reconstruction. He currently is a commercial airline pilot.

"The testing program has gone on long enough. I think this is a prudent move," said Joseph, who never has flown the Osprey, but has followed closely the program, especially after a Marine Corps pilot friend was killed in initial testing about 10

"The program has faced a number of setbacks. It's complicated new technology, but the Marine Corps has put it's best foot forward and done a good job on its testing program," Joseph said.

It's been a roller coaster of a ride for the program, which got started in 1989 and twice faced cancellation, first because of the program's high costs, and again be-cause of the 2000 fatal crashes.

But Marine Corps leaders especially have remained steadfast in keeping the program alive, maintaining that the technology is sound and proven, and the Corps needs the versatile aircraft.

Deadly car bomb targets Iraqi checkpoint

BY ROBERT H. REID The Associated Press

BAGHDAD - A suicide car bomber plowed into an Iraqi military checkpoint northwest of aghdad on Wednesday, killing 16 Iraqis and wounding about 30 as U.S. and Iraqi forces sealed off roads south of the capital in a campaign to curb the insurgency be-

fore January's elections There were hopeful signs. meanwhile, that talks may produce a cease-fire agreement with a Shiite militia headed by radical cleric Muotada al-Sadr. A negotiator also reported progress in talks to end the military standoff in Fallujah - the country's toughest insurgent stronghold and suspected base of Irag's most feared terror-

ist group. The car bomb attack occurred about 11:15 a.m. at an Iraqi National Guard encampment near Anah, 160 miles northwest of Baghdad on the main highway to Syria. According to the U.S. military, the camp came under fire, and a few minutes later a vehicle sped to a nearby National Guard checkpoint and exploded.

U.S. and Iraqi forces are trying to restore enough control of this turbulent country so that national elections can be held in January More than 3.000 U.S. and Iraqi forces launched a major operation Tuesday to retake control of insurgent-held parts of Babil province south of Baghdad.

As part of the operation, American troops and Iraqi National Wednesday Guardsmen on

town in the Youssifiyah area, about 12 miles south of Baghdad.

Allawi's government is accelerating moves to peacefully restore control of insurgent strongholds. Iraqi mediators said the government and followers of al-Sadr were near agreement on a deal to end weeks of clashes between American soldiers and the cleric's militia in the Sadr City district of the capital.

Talks were held Wednesday in Baghdad between the government and representatives from Fallujah, a Sunni-majority city west of the capital that fell under insurgent control after the Marines abandoned a three-week siege last April.

After the talks, Falluiah repreentative Khaled Hammoud al-Jumeili said the meeting produced agreement on several points, including a deal to allow Iraqi forces into the city but without sweeping powers of search or arrest

Meanwhile, two organizations representing more than 60,000 United Nations staff members urged Secretary-General Kofi Annan on Wednesday to pull all U.N. staff out of Iraq because of the "unprecedented" risk to their safety and security.

In a joint letter to Annan, the staff organzations cited a dramatic escalation in attacks in Iraq and said the United Nations regretta-"has become a direct target, one that is particularly prone to attacks by ruthless extremist terrorist factions."

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U.S. deaths in Iraq

As of Tuesday, 1,061 members of the U.S. military have died since the beginning of the Iraq war in March 2003, according to the Defense Department. Of those, 806 died as a result of hostile action and 255 died of nonhostile causes. The figures include three military civilians.

The British military has reported 67 deaths; Italy, 19; Poland, 13; Spain, 11; Bulgaria, six; Ukraine, eight; Slovakia, three; Thailand, two; the Netherlands, two; and Denmark, El Salvador, Estonia, Hungary and Latvia have reported one death each.

Since May 1, 2003, when President Bush declared that major combat operations in Iraq had ended, 923 U.S. military members have died — 697 as a result of hostile action and 226 of nonhostile causes, according to the military's numbers as of Tuesday.

Since the start of U.S. military operations in Iraq, 7,730 U.S. servicemembers have been wounded in

hostile action, according to the Defense Department's weekly tally.

The latest deaths reported by the military:

■ One U.S. soldier was killed Monday by an explosive near Baghdad.

The latest identifications reported by the military:

■ Army Sgt. Christopher S. Potts, 38, Tiverton, R.I.; killed by small arms fire Sunday in Taji; assigned to the Army National Guards 1st Battalion, 103rd Field Artillery Regiment, Providence, R.I.

Iraq markets sell beheading videos

BY WARD SANDERSON

Stars and Strines

BAGHDAD - Vendors in Baghdad's seedy markets brazenly sell copies of foreigner beheadings at the hands of insurgents.

In the Bab Al Sharji market, merchants sell the footage for about 50 cents a disc. The videos - titled things like "Execution of Berg" or "Execution of Egyptian spy in Fallujah" — sell alongside pornography and even CD-ROM copies of the Quran.

"I assure you the good quality of the picture," one merchant kept repeating.

When asked where he gets the videos, he said the operation has several levels. Someone downloads clips from the Internet, someone else manufactures the discs and someone else distributes them to sellers

The only reserve the merchant showed was a refusal to play the beheadings on his demonstration machine. He openly played por-

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U.S. Air Force Maj. Denise Varner, a spokeswoman for multinational military forces, blinked with disgust when told of the beheading clip trade. She was unsure how laws in the new Iraq applied to the sale of footage that, while clearly not copyrighted, amounts to snuff flicks.

"Unfortunately," she said, "there are no moral police."

Inside the fortified International Zone, formerly called the Green Zone, locals run their own U.S.-approved bazaar. During a recent visit, no beheading videos were visible. A sign at the entrance clearly forbids the sale of pornography and liquor.

Inside the the bazaar, vendors sat and smoked behind stacks of cigarettes, pirated movies and flowing, see-through attire out of the days of harems - all to the vertigo of an Arab boombox soundtrack. U.S. soldiers casually strolled through heat and din.

One military policeman, Sgt. Charles Petty, carried a fat stack of James Bond and Jet Li flicks.

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other markets traded instead in

"I've never heard of it, but if I ee it, I don't know what I'd do,' Petty said. "I'd probably report it to my higher-ups. ..

"It makes me feel sick to my stomach that people are buying these things. Defending yourself is one thing, but beheading someone just because your opinion is different" His voice trailed

Other soldiers were just as sickened, but unsurprised.

"They'll do anything to make it," Spc. Brad Robinson said, chalking the sales up to economic desperation.

"I don't agree with it, but peo ple in America download that stuff all the time," agreed Sgt. Cole Hopkins. "They are so poor out there. They need jobs. They may not agree with it, but they'll do whatever they can.

A second military spokesman, Marine Maj. Jay Antonelli, said he believed the beheading videos were banned in the zone, but heard reports that scurrying bands of children had tried to sell them anyway.

Save for the now-routine threat of explosive attack, the soldiers International Zone shopping experience is relatively safe. Outside it could be suicide. Iraqis warn that Bab Al Sharji swarms with gangs of pickpockets who will just as readily shove a steel shank into someone's side as say a hello.

During a recent visit to this "thieves market," vendors could be seen hawking not only macabre media, but also PlayStations, pirated movies, binoculars and knives. The binocular seller also stocked a night-vision scope for an RPG-7

This optics specialist then tried to make a special deal - he said he had a working set of U.S Army-issue night vision goggles. Only \$500.

Correspondent Enes Dulami contributed to this report.

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Afghan election brings promise, challenge

BY PAUL HAVEN The Associated Press

KABUL, Afghanistan - Afghanistan's first-ever presidential vote puts this nation of mud-brick houses and tribal fiefdoms on the edge of an improba-

ble experiment with democracy. Osama bin Laden's training hases have been uprooted, and Af ghanistan is no longer a haven for international terrorists. But three years to the day since a U.S. bombing campaign toppled the Taliban regime, Islamic militancy lives on, the drug trade is booming and warlords hold sway over much of the country.

Hamid Karzai, the nation's unrelentingly optimistic interim president, is the overwhelming favorite to win Saturday's vote against a large field of challengers, though it is not clear yet if he will get the majority necessary to

avoid a runoff. What awaits after victory is a nation with great promise, but daunting challenges.

The Taliban pose no real threat of a return to power, at least as long as Afghanistan's still undermanned national army is backed by an 18,000-strong U.S.-led coalition and 9,000 NATO troops. But its hard-line followers are far from defeated

Presidential vote to start country on 'long fight' against insurgency for a democratic government

Taliban and al-Qaida fighters have kept up a steady drumbeat especially in the

south and east of the nation. Nearly 1,000 people, including 30 American soldiers, have been killed in political violence so far this year - hardly a picture of sta-

The U.S. military insists the insurgency is ineffective and hopes the elections will persuade some of those still fighting to put down their weapons and seek a reconciliation with the new government.

Maj. Gen. Eric Olson, the No. 2 commander of U.S. forces here. cautioned that true peace will take many years to accomplish, perhaps longer than some in the IIS led coalition had hargained

"This is a long fight. This is not something that is going to end after the elections," he told The Associated Press in an interview last week. "I would venture to say it is not going to end in the next 10 years, but ultimately it's a winnable situation."

Despite the destruction of their

terror bases, bin Laden and his No. 2. Avman al-Zawahri, remain fugitives, probably living in the mountain regions between Afghanistan and Pakistan, U.S. officials say the men are still believed to be actively plotting at-

But the main threats to Afghani-stan's stability probably lie elsewhere - in the inability of the government to curb regional warlords, and the ballooning heroin and opium trade.

Karzai has taken steps in recent months to exert more control removing strongman Ismail Khan as governor of the western city of Herat, dumping Taiik faction leader Mohammed Fahim from his presidential ticket and pushing the pace of a much-delayed program to disarm militias. The president has said the warlords are his greatest preoccupa-

The heroin and opium trade largely kept in check under the Taliban — grew into a \$2.3 billion a year business in 2003, more than half of the nation's gross domestic product.

This year's figures will likely be even higher. U.S. Ambassador Zalmay Khalilzad said last month the drug

trade "has the potential to undo all the positive things we have done so far or are planning to do. And the big profits have al-ready begun to bring with them

serious violence On Thursday, the government blamed drug smugglers - not Taliban or al-Qaida fighters — for a bomb attack the day before on Karzai's vice presidential run-ning mate. Ahmed Zia Massood.

The politician was not hurt, but one man was killed and five others wounded. Still, there is no denying that progress has been made in this nation of 25 million

Three million Afghans have returned from exile in Pakistan and Iran, and millions of women and girls have returned to work and school - resuming active lives abandoned for five years when the Taliban ordered them shuttered in their homes.

Signs of reconstruction -

States — are everywhere, from the newly paved highways to the international hotels going up in the capital, Kabul.

The government remains chronically dependent on foreign aid, but key ministries such as finance and health are also beginning to find their feet. The ability to deliver services to long-abandoned provinces will be a crucial test for the new government after the election.

Some 41 percent of those who have registered to vote are women, a staggering statistic in a nation where centuries of tradition and lack of education have conspired to shut most women out of public life.

Khalilzad, the Afghan-born U.S. ambassador, has tended to see the positive, but even he has acknowledged that full recovery is a distant dream for a nation that has experienced calamity heaped upon calamity for over 25 years - from the 1979 Soviet invasion, to a bloody civil war, to Taliban misrule, and a devastating drought to boot.

"If the journey of building Afghanistan is a 10-mile journey, we're at the end of mile three, Khalilzad said recently. "So we have some distance to go."

82nd protects vote in Afghanistan

Members of U.S. Airborne Division in Afghanistan look to keep insurgents from disrupting election ment's representative to the Pro-vincial Reconstruction Team at

Firebase Asadabad. Enemy fight-

ers are just north of the base, as

well as to the northwest in Nur-

estan province, according to offi

cials at the PRT, one of 17 mili-

tary/civilian teams overseeing re-

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Sgt. 1st Class Benny Dobbs

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By TERRY BOYD Stars and Stripes

FIREBASE ASADABAD, Afghanistan — The 82nd Airborne Division has not made it into the history books by coasting through easy missions

In the new anti-insurgency age, look for its rapidly deployable, light infantry units in the worst parts of bad neighborhoods anywhere from Falluiah to Asada-

hattalion Α force of 1,100 paratroopers, mostly from the 1st Battalion, 505th Parachute Infantry Regiment is in Afghanistan to provide security for the historic national elections Oct. 9 Between

18,000 and 20,000 U.S. soldiers and about 5,500 troops from other nations are in Afghanistan and will assist the United Nations to curb any violence surrounding the nation's first presidential elec

In isolated eastern Afghanistan, 15 kilometers from the Pakistan border, the mission for the 1st-505th is far more complex and subtle than keeping the bad guys from stopping the elections. Taliban forces are so close "they can commute to work," said Jim Hunter, the State Depart-

units already in the area, said Capt. Brian Feddeler, Company D commander at Firebase Asada bad. They will also help keep roads and communication lines

Feddeler's soldiers will form "an outer ring" of security, he said. They have to stay close enough to discourage attacks or counter them, but far enough away from polling stations to make sure locals understand the Army is playing no direct role in the elections, which are under the auspices of the United Nations.

Until election day and for a few

weeks after, Feddeler's force of infantrymen, mortarmen, engi-neers and scout snipers will patrol some of the most dramatic terrain in Afghanistan, with lush Kunar River valleys meandering through mountains that peak at 10,000 feet. Humvees surf the potholes and ruts of one-lane gravel paths looking for roadside bombs as well as enticing insurgents into a fight or running off the ones with less heart

"Simply we're the 82nd Airborne. By virtue of this fact alone any adversary is forced to sincerely contemplate consequences his actions," said 1st Cie... Dobbs, Benny Company D's first sergeant

On the cusp of the elections, Afghanistan is much quieter than Irag, said 82nd soldiers and offic-

The overall U.S. mission tion-building and reconstruction may be the same in Iraq, "but there were a lot more anti-coalition forces [in Iraq], and they were a lot more organized," said 1st Lt. Eric Slater, Feddeler's executive officer.

"I'm not saying [the insurgents] are not out there," said Slater, "but they're not as active.

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Sgt. Elizar Russell heads up a line of soldiers searching the mountains for attackers as Humvees from the 82nd Airborne Division's 1st Battalion, 505th Parachute Infantry Regiment's Company B try to turn around, stopping about 2 miles short of the Pakistan border. Troops from Fort Bragg, N.C., are in Afghanistan to try to keep insurgents from disrupting Saturday's national presidential elections

South Korea puts out guide to spotting terror activity

BY JOSEPH GIORDONO Stars and Stripes

SEOUL - South Korean officials, in the midst of a high-level terror alert, will start distributing a booklet designed to help encourage the public to identify and report possible terrorists, officials

said Thursday The Korean-language booklet, titled "How to Detect Terrorist Suspects," will be handed out at major public gathering places, including train stations and airports. The guide was written by South Korea's National Intelligence Service, officials said, and draws upon general information reportedly provided by U.S. intel-

ligence officials. Both U.S. and South Korean military forces are on tighter security alerts, after a top al-Qaida leader included South Korea in a list of countries to attack in a videotaped message earlier this month. South Korea is a target because of its deployment of troops

U.S. bases and government institutions in South Korea have higher force protection levels in place, and U.S. Forces Korea continues a 9 p.m. to 5 a.m. peninsula-wide curfew for its soldiers, family members and civilian em-

The new pamphlet has been in the works for months, NIS officials said, but the timing of its dis-

tribution is "very good."

The booklet lists several actions that should raise suspicions, including leaving bags behind in public areas, carrying large amounts of cash and not ordering "alcoholic beverages at bars."

The pamphlet also advised the public to watch out for people who wear thick, layered clothing in warm weather.

South Korean civil rights groups immediately denounced the pamphlet as vague and as being more likely to cause undue panic than to stop a possible ter-

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Ma-on projected to graze Okinawa

Island bases at TCCOR-3; Kanto Plain installations on guard

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Stars and Strip

Ma-on blossomed from tropical storm into typhoon overnight Wednesday, but 18th Weather Flight officials at Kadena Air Base, Okinawa, said it would only graze the island, bringing

showers and high wind. "It's still not expected to hit said duty forecaster Tech. Sgt. Michael Milton.

But weather officials Tokyo-area military bases began bracing for Ma-on's possible approach, declaring on Thursday afternoon Tropical Cyclone Condition of Readiness 4, meaning winds of 57 mph or greater were expected within 72 hours.

Ma-on. Chinese for "horse saddle," the name of a Hong Kong peak, tracked northwest Thursday but was starting to turn Thursday

north-northeast evening. At 3 p.m., it was 339 miles southeast of Kadena, plodding north-northwest at just under 6 mph and packing sustained winds of 104 mph and gusts up to 127 mph at its center.

If it continued on its projected path, Ma-on was to pass 214 miles east of Okinawa at about 4 p.m. Friday, with peak winds expected to

he 40 mph. The island's military bases remained in TCCOR-3 The initial storm's feeder hands began bringing

light drizzle at about 3 p.m. Milton said no heightened conditions were expected to be declared, but weekend forecasts called for "light rain showers, on and off ... spotty for the most

part. It's going to be dreary.

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erly path. Officials at Vokota Air Base's weather flight were expected to meet early Friday to discuss heightened readiness conditions.

overnight Thursday, he said, "but nothing out of the ordi-nary." Cloudy, cooler weather

on, with rain and

winds subsiding

at about 3 p.m. on

Saturday. The storm is

just east of Kyoto

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Anv Tokyo-area impact wouldn't appear until late Saturday or early Sunday, after which

northeast, said 374th Operational Support Squadron weather flight commander Maj. Neil Sanger. "We could get some very heavy rain and gusty winds," he

said The storm's unpredictability it's taken a zig-zag path since forming last week near Guam has made plotting Ma-on's path a struggle, Sanger said. Wind speed and precipitation "all depends on the track of the storm. which has changed a lot over the last 24 hours. The Joint Typhoon Warning Center is not very confident in the track of the storm right now, so the winds could increase or decrease."

Yokota officials targeted Saturday for possible evacuation of C-130 Hercules cargo aircraft assigned to the 374th Airlift Wing. E-mail Vince Little at-

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S. Korean prostitutes protest crackdown

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SEOUL - Thousands of sex workers. many wearing masks to conceal their identities, chanted slogans in an attempt to save their jobs Thursday amid a government crackdown on South Korea's booming sex industry

"Guarantee our livelihood!" the prostitutes and pimps shouted in front of the National Assembly

The crowd, estimated at 2,800 by police, also waved banners that said: "The government should recognize our profession. Treat us as legitimate workers.

Police didn't intervene in the protest. The highly unusual demonstration by sex

workers - who are stigmatized in the nation's deeply Confucian society - was sparked when the government started enforcing new anti-prostitution laws last month targeting human traffickers, pimps and prostitutes

The legislation more than doubled the pen alties for brothel owners who confine wo and force prostitution, calling for property confiscation, up to \$87,000 in fines or up to 10 years in iail.

Officials say the laws, supported by women's rights groups, will curb human rights abuses among sex industry workers and help

them find other jobs But the tough measures angered sex workers, who feared the crackdown will drive

Last week, a 24-year-old prostitute in Seoul swallowed an overdose of sleeping pills in a failed suicide attempt after leaving a note criticizing the new campaign.

"Most of us have nowhere else to go, and the government hasn't given us enough time to prepare for all these changes," said a participant in the demonstration who refused to

Prostitution has been banned in South Korea since 1961, but the sex industry has thrived because police rarely enforced the

Studies estimate 600,000 to 1 million women in the country work in the sex trade. Major cities have red-light districts where women in white dresses sit behind neon-lit windows. Massage parlors, barber shops, motels and bars often serve as fronts for prosti-

The brothels have been accused of illegal confinement, human trafficking and violence. In September 2000, five prostitutes locked in a brothel room were killed during a

The new laws also offer legal aid and shelter for prostitutes hoping to find a new life.

'Those shelters are worse than a prison, and they kick you out only after three months of rehab," a protester said, "I'd rather go to a iail than to the shelter."

Chinese propaganda video in Hong Kong sparks fears of indoctrination

them out of business

BY HELEN LUK The Associated Press

HONG KONG - The Hong Kong government

has ordered television stations to run nightly broadcasts of a patriotic propaganda video, sparking worries that communist China is trying to indoctrinate the free-spirited territory The 45-second airing of China's national an

them played over a montage of patriotic images has sparked more complaints than flag-waving in Hong Kong, where many of the 6.8 million residents remain leery of Beijing's communist government after the territory was returned from Britain to China in 1997. Some citizens called the video "disgusting" and

said it reminded them of China's bloody crackdown on the Tiananmen Square pro-democracy movement in Reijing on June 4, 1989, and the violent Cultural Revolution of the 1960s and '70s.

Many Hong Kong residents revere China as their ancestral motherland, but those feelings have not translated into support for the mainland's authoritarian political system. Beijing and its local allies often complain that Hong Kong residents have yet to become sufficiently patriotic Chinese citizens

The video, titled "Our Home, Our Country, was launched last week as Beijing celebrated the 55th anniversary of the People's Republic of China. It's now being shown every evening be-fore the news on three Chinese-language TV channels. During the anthem, the video shows images of the first Chinese astronaut. China's Olympic medalists, Chinese soldiers, and some of the territory's landmarks

"Some citizens said the video made them feel uncomfortable as it reminded them of the Cultural Revolution and the June 4 crackdown," Television and Entertainment Licensing Authority spokeswoman Viola Kwan said. "Others said broadcasting the video every day is like brainwashing and some said the video's content was disgusting !

The video was initiated by a government working group that advises the Home Affairs Bureau on national education, which can be taken to mean instilling patriotism.

The head of the group, Daniel Heung, said there was no intent to "brainwash" the public.



A patriotic video that includes China's national anthem is seen on a TV screen in a Hong Kong restaurant. The 45-second airing of China's national anthem played over a montage of patriotic images has sparked complaints.

Pakistan bans public gatherings after attack

At least 39 people killed, about 100 wounded after bombs explode at Sunni Muslim rally

By KHALID TANVEER
The Associated Press

MULTAN, Pakistan — Pakistan announced a ban on religious and political gatherings nationwide after a bomb attack against Sunni Muslim radicals in a central city early Thursday killed at least 39 people and wounded

about 100 others.
Police suspected it was a sectarian attack, and army troops were deployed to keep order in Multan, where about 2,000 angry Sunnis gathered outside a hospital where victims were taken, shouting "Shiites are infidels!" and slogans against the government.

The bombing came less than a week after a suicide attack left 31 dead at a Shiite mosque in an east-

Late Thursday, Interior Minister Aftab Khan Sherpao told reporters that the ban on public gatherings — except for prayers on Friday, the Muslim sabbath had been imposed to prevent any more attacks by terrorists. He did not say how long the ban would last.

Police tightened security in other cities. In Karachi, scene of sectarian terrorist attacks and unrest in May, extra police were de-



Victims 6, a bomb blast at a Sunni Muslim gathering are treated Thursday at a hospital in Multan, Pakistan. About 2,000 angry Sunnis gathered outside the hospital after two bombs exploded at the rally, killing at least 39 people. The mob at the hospital shouted "Shitles are infidels!" and slogans against the government.

ployed at mosques. Thursday's bloodshed hap-

pened before dawn.
A car bomb exploded near

where some 3,000 people had congregated overnight in a residential area of Multan to mark the anniversary of the death of the leader of the outlawed Sunni radical group Sipah-e-Sahaba killed in an

attack last year.
Two minutes later, what ap-

peared to be a second bomb attached to a motorcycle went off, deputy city police chief Arshad Hameed said.

Officials at the Nishtar government hospital said at least 39 people were killed and more than 100 were wounded, about 50 seriously. Some 50 others were treated for minor injuries and later discharged. Other people were taken to other clinics.

Pools of blood and shoes of the victims were scattered at the scene, near the charred remains of the car

Sherpao said it was a remote-controlled bomb planted inside a Suzuki car. Police estimated it weighed about 15 pounds, and said most injuries were caused by flying metal from the vehicle.

It did not appear to be a suicide attack because no body parts were found inside the car, Multan police chief Sikander Hayyat told the private Geo television network.

Sunni Muslims make up about 80 percent of the 150 million people in Pakistan, and most of the rest are Shittes. The vast majority of both sects live in harmony but radical elements on both sides carry out attacks.

Austrian wins Nobel in literature Armed Aristide

BY MATT MOORE The Associated Press

STOCKHOLM, Sweden — Austrian writer Elfriede Jelinek, a reclusive author whose strident feminism, leftist politics and pacifism are common themes in her works, won the Nobel Prize in literature Thursday for what the Swedish Academy called the "musical flow of voices and counter-voices."

In an interview at her home in Vienna, Jelinek told The Associated Press he was honored by the prize, but said she wasn't mentally prepared to attend the Dec. 10 award ceremony in Stockholm.

"I haven't had time to think yet. It is the biggest honor," she said. "I'm not going to Stockholm because I'm not in a mental shape to withstand such ceremonies. I, unfortunately, suffer from a social phobia."

With reporters and well-wishers constantly calling her and ringing her door bell, Jelinek said her plans for the coming days were simple: "to disappear." "I can't stand" the attention that

comes with the prize, she said.
Only 10 women, including Jelinek, have won the prestigious prize since it was founded in 1901.

"They assured me that I received the prize because they value my work, not because I am a woman," Jelinek said. Ambassador in Austria Gabriella Lindholm, right, congratulates the Nobel Prize winner in literature, Elfriede Jelinek, on Thersday in her home at



Though her work is famous in German-speaking countries, and widely translated in French, her most famous novel was 1983's "The Piano Teacher," which was adapted into a 2001 film by director Michael Haneke.

The novel and the film tell the story of a piano instructor, Erika — a demanding taskmaster who embarks on a dramatic affair with a younger music student.

Most of her works are known for jolting readers with their frank descriptions of sexuality, pathos and conflict between men and women. She had a best seller in 1989 with "Lust." which she has described as portraying "the violence by the man against the woman" in a conventional marriage.

The Nobel Prize could boost sales of her works, including in markets where she's not widely translated, including other parts of Europe and the United

Her latest play, "Bambiland," written in 2003 and translated into English in 2004, is a head-on attack against the U.S.-led invasion of Iraq. But Horace Engdahl, permanent secretary of the academy, emphasized that the prize should not be interpreted as a political

"After spending more than a year raising awareness that file-sharing other people's copyrighted music is illegal, and sending tens of millions of instant messages, we are now prepared to do more than talk about the law, but to enforce it." said the group's chairman

Armed Aristide loyalists riot in Port-Au-Prince

BY AMY BRACKEN

PORT-AU-PRINCE, Haiti — Demanding the return of ousted President Jean-Bertrand Aristide, young men with machetes, guns and rocks set alight tires and debris in the street and threatened to behead foreigners after U.N. troops and police arrested dozens in a sweep through a volatile slum.

A day after peacekeepers rolled through the tense Bel Air slum in armored personnel carriers, Organization of American States Secretary-General Miguel Angel Rodriguez said Thursday he is asking the United Nations to quickly boost the number of peacekeepers from the current 3,000 to the promised 8,000.

On Wednesday, gunfire crackled and two helicopters roared overhead as U.N. troops moved into Bel Air, trying to put down a campaign by Aristide loyalists who have carried out gory beheadings in imitation of Iraqi insurgents. There were no immediate reports of violence Thursday.

Rodriguez, who met with top leaders of the interim government late Wednesday, urged dialogue to resolve the political crisis, saying it worked following Central American wars of the 1980s.

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The headless body of a man lay in the street in

The headless body of a man lay in the street in the La Salines slum on Wednesday. Three police of-ficers also were decapitated last week when Aristide supporters stepped up protests demanding his return from exile in South Africa and launched "Operation Baghdad."

At least 19 people have been killed in a week of violence in Port-au-Prince, which relief workers said could paralyze attempts to feed tens of thousands of hungry survivors in the northwest port city of Gonaives, which was devastated by floods from Tropical Storm Jeanne last month.

Associated Press writer Stevenson Jacobs in Gonaives contributed to this report.

Music sharing crackdown LONDON — An international music

industry group said Thursday it was launching hundreds of lawsuits across Europe accusing people of piracy for illegally sharing music on the Internet.

The lawsuits target 459 groups and individuals in Britain, France, Germany,

Denmark, Italy and Austria, the International Federation of the Phonographic Industry said.

The lawsuits include criminal and civil complaints against "uploaders"—people alleged to have put copyrighted songs onto Internet file-sharing networks and offering them to millions of people worldwide without permission, the London-based group said.

and chief executive, Jay Berman.

From The Associated Press

Blast targets resort

3 explosions shake Israeli-Egypt border

BY SARAH EL DEEB

The Associated Press

JERUSALEM - Israeli security officials are convinced an explosion at the Egyptian resort of Taba was caused by a car bomb, Israel's army radio reported Thursday.

The blast shook the Hilton hotel in Taba where many Israelis were vacationing at the close of a Jewish holiday Thursday.

An official at Taba Hospital said at least 29 people were killed and 114 injured in that explosion and two other smaller blasts reported on the Sinai Peninsula. Israeli police said at least 30 people were killed in the hotel blast alone

Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon instructed senior officials to establish contact with Egyptian officials to allow Israeli rescue forces in to treat and transfer the wounded. said an official in the prime minister's office.

Israeli rescue workers who entered Egypt told The Associated Press they had evacuated 39 wounded people from the explosion, five of them in serious condition

'We know of other people trapped under the ruins of the hotel," said rescue worker spokesman Yerucham Mendola.

Israel radio cited witnesses as saving a car



An explosion shook the Hilton hotel in Taba, next to the Egyptian border in the Sinai peninsula.

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bomb exploded on the western side of the that the blast was due to terrorism. hotel, causing 10 stories to collapse

The Hilton hotel in Taba is only yards from the Israeli border. Witnes es said there were people trapped under the ruins of the hotel's western side

Egyptian security offi cials said there were "a large number of wounded." Israel sent ambulances and heliconters to evacuate the wounded.

Egyptian security officials, speaking on condition of anonymity, said the Taba explosion occurred among gas tanks in the kitchen of

the hotel, which is next to the casino where many tourists were at the time of the blast.

They said they had no initial indications

However, the Haaretz newspaper in Israel said the blast took place in the lobby of the hotel, causing the ceiling to collapse, followed by a fire and the evacuation of guests on upper floors through the emergency exits. The newspaper quoted Israeli security sources as saying there is a growing conviction that the explosion was caused by were vacationing a terrorist attack.

Two smaller blasts occurred about two hours later in the area of Ras al Shitan, a camping area near the town of Nuweiba full of

Israeli tourists, south of Taba, witnesses said A security official in Nuweiba said many peo-ple were injured, but he didn't know of any

Feds warn schools on security

BY BEN FELLER The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The Educa-tion Department has advised school leaders nationwide to watch for people spying on their buildings or buses to help detect any possibility of terrorism like the deadly school siege in Russia.

The warning follows an analysis by the FBI and the Homeland Security Department of the siege that killed nearly 340 people, many of them students, in the city of Beslan last month.

'The horror of this attack may have created significant anxiety in our own country among par ents, students, faculty staff and other community members," Dep-uty Education Secretary Eugene Hickok said in a letter to schools and education groups.

The safety advice is based on lessons learned from the Russia incident. But there is "no specific information indicating that there is a terrorist threat to any schools States," Hickok said.

Federal law enforcement officials also have encouraged local police to stay in contact with school officials and have encouraged reporting of suspicious activities, the letter says.

Among those activities:

Prolonged "static surveillance" by people disguised as panhandlers, shoe shiners, newspa-per or flower vendors or street sweepers not previously seen in

the area ■ Observations of security drills

■ People staring at or quickly looking away from employees or vehicles as they enter or leave parking areas.

Bush: Intel was wrong, but Iraq war was right

BY JOHN J. LUMPKIN The Associated Press

WASHINGTON - Faced with a harshly critical new report, President Bush conceded Thursday that Iraq did not have the stockpiles of banned weap ons he had warned of before the invasion last year, but insisted that "we were right to take ac-tion" against Saddam Hussein.

"America is safer today with Saddam Hussein in prison, Bush said in a surprise statement to reporters as he prepared to fly to Wisconsin.

"Much of the accumulated body of our intelligence was wrong and we must find out why," Bush said.

But, he maintained that the Iraqi leader retained the "means and the intent" to produce weapons of mass destruction

Bush spoke one day after Charles Duelfer, the American weapons hunter in Iraq, presented to the Senate and the public a report that Saddam's weapons of mass destruction programs had deteriorated into only hopes and dreams by the time of the U.S.-led invasion last year

The decline was wrought by the first Gulf War and years of international sanctions, the chief U.S. weapons hunter

"The Duelfer report showed that Saddam was systematically gaming the system, using the U.N. oil for food program to try to influence countries and com panies in an effort to undermine sanctions," Bush said. "He was doing so with the intent of restarting his weapons program once the world looked

"He could have passed that knowledge onto our terrorist en-emies," Bush said. "Saddam Hussein was a unique threat, a sworn enemy of our country, a

ing in the world's most volatile region. In the world after Sept. 11, he was a threat we had to confront and America and the world are safer for our actions.

A spokesman for his opponent, Democrat Sen. John Kerry, said the report "underscores the incompetence of George Bush's Iraq policy.

"George Bush refuses come clean about the ways he misled our country into war, Kerry spokesman David Wade

"In short, we invaded a country, thousands of people have died, and Iraq never posed a grave or growing danger," said Sen. Jay Rockefeller, D-W.Va.

ice President Dick Cheney as-serted in Miami on Thursday that the report justifies rather than invalidates Bush's decision to go to war. It shows that lay, defer, wasn't an option, Cheney told a town-hall style meeting.

House to receive intel bill approved by Senate

BY JESSE J. HOLLAND The Associated Press

WASHINGTON - House GOP leaders braced Thursday for a late-session showdown with the Senate over conflicting versions of legislation written in response to the terror-fighting recommendations of the Sept. 11 commission.

Republicans leaders say the House version, which includes creation of a national intelligence director as well as anti-terrorism. illegal immigration, border-security and identity-theft powers, is the best bill and should be the one that prevails.

"It's real simple. The House bill - every single word of it will make the American people safer." House Majority Leader DeLay, R-Texas, proclaimed as Congress neared the time for lawmakers to leave for

the campaign hustings. An earlier version of the Senate-passed bill — which was to be offered Thursday by Rep. Robert Menendez, D-N.J. and has been pushed by Reps. Christopher Shays, R-Conn., and Carolyn Maloney, D-N.Y. — was being pre-sented as a replacement for the House GOP bill

Shays and Maloney says their proposal - which is identical to the Menendez amendment — was held back so that GOP leaders could depict the Senate version as being a purely Democratic one on the House floor.

"I know my leadership thinks it's not going to pass or they wouldn't have allowed the vote," Shays said. "That shows their level of confidence. I hope we prove them wrong.

Minority Democrats contend the law enforcement and immigration provisions that were in-cluded in the GOP leadership bill were put there to force Democrats into a difficult, election-year vote that could have political consequences.

On a 96-2 vote senators also anproved the creation of a national intelligence director who would coordinate most of the nation's nonmilitary intelligence agencies and a national counterterrorism center to help fight terrorist plots

Officials argue over DeLay ethics

Dems suggest leadership change while GOP stands by 'The Hammer'

BY SUZANNE GAMBOA The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Leading House Republicans and Democrats exchanged harsh recrimi-nations Thursday over the second ethics committee rebuke in a week for Rep. Tom DeLay, the GOP's No. 2 leader.

The day after the 57-year-old Texan was cited by the House ethics committee for questionable conduct, Democratic Leader Nancy Pelosi said his Republican colleagues should decide whether "they want an ethically unfit person to be their majority leader, or do they want to remove the ethical cloud that hangs over the Capitol?"

Her news conference came as House Speaker Dennis Hastert staunchly defended DeLay, calling him "a good man" and attacking the freshman Democratic congressman whose complaint launched the investigation

The committee late Wednesday had admonished DeLay, R-Texas, for creating an appearance of giving donors special access on pend ing energy legislation and using the Federal Administration to intervene in a

Texas political dispute. Last week, the same committee admonished



him for offering to endorse the House candidacy of a House member's son in exchange for the member's favorable vote on a Medicare prescription drug bill. The committee's nublica

ly issued findings constituted the panel's mildest punishment, and spared DeLay from a lengthy inestigation.

But the committee noted the rare back-to-back admonishments and that in 1999 DeLay received an ethics committee warning for pressuring a lobby company to hire a Republican.

"In view of the number of instances to date in which the committee has found it necessary to comment on conduct in which you engaged, it is clearly necessary for you to temper your future actions," it said in a letter to DeLay.

DeLay is one of the nation's most partisan political leaders and most successful money-raisers. He has long been known in the Capitol as "The Hammer.



Democrats and five Republicans delayed action an allegation that DeLay violated Texas campaign finance laws. A Texas grand jury investi-gation has so far led to indictments of three DeLay associates and eight cor

porations. DeLay said he consid-

Pelosi ers the complaint against him dismissed, but ac cepted the committee's guidance. He called the complaint another personal attack by Dem-ocrats that fell short "not because of insuffi-

om, but because Pelosi, D-Calif., held a news conference as Hastert, R-Ill., was criticizing Rep. Chris Bell, D-Texas, who filed the complaint.

DeLay "fights hard for what he believes, but he has never put personal interests ahead of the best interests of the country," Hastert said in a written statement.

Associated Press Writer Larry Margasak contributed to this report.

Fox backs Kerry

NEW YORK - Actor Michael J. Fox is returning to TV — in a commercial praising Democratic presidential candidate John Kerry for his stance on stem cell research.

The campaign said the ad would run in local media markets in states considered battlegrounds.

Fox, who has Parkinson's disease, campaigned with Kerry in New Hampshire on Monday and filmed the ad after the event.

Green Party protest

Look for a little civil disobedience at the next presidential de-

Green Party presidential nominee David Cobb - who, like the rest of the third-party contenders, has been barred from the event announced Wednesday that he plans to protest their exclusion at the debate Friday in St. Louis.

These so-called debates are an insult to democracy and the American people and, as a representative of the fastest-growing political party in this country, I have an obligation to try and open them up to more voices," Cobb

Veterans for Nader

Swift Boat Veterans for Nader? A handful of donors to the Swift Boat Veterans for Truth an organization that has run controversial ads attacking Democrat John Kerry, also have given money to independent presidential candidate Ralph Nader.

Five donors, who contributed a total of \$13,500 to the anti-Kerry group, also gave \$7,500 to the longtime consumer advocate. That has infuriated some Democrats, who complain that Nader is taking money from supporters of not only a Republican group, but also one he has repeatedly de-nounced. In August, at a speech at Tulane University, Nader called the group "proxies" for the Bush campaign, which, he said, was attempting to "smear" the Democratic nominee.

Bush, Kerry health care plans differ

By MARK SHERMAN The Associated Press

WASHINGTON - Although a raucous de bate over national security has dominated the presidential campaign, President Bush and Democratic rival Sen. John Kerry differ even more sharply on how to provide better health care to more Americans.

Kerry's proposal dwarfs that of the presi-dent, costing hundreds of billions of dollars more and covering millions more people, ac-cording to most independent and campaign estimates.

"They couldn't be more different. It's a very clear choice," said Linda Bergthold, a Los An geles-based consultant on employer-provided health insurance for Watson Wyatt World-

The Democrat's plan seeks to stabilize the private, employer-based insurance market that covers more than 150 million people, while expanding government health care programs for children and the noor. The ranks of the uninsured, currently 45 million, would drop to 27 million people over 10 years, according to a range of estimates

But it would be costly. The campaign says the plan would cost taxpayers \$653 billion over 10 years. Other estimates put the cost at double that or more.

Bush would rely on tax incentives and market-based choices for individuals in a plan the White House says would extend coverage to 11 million, and perhaps as many as 17 million, people at a cost of \$100 billion to \$150 billion. Independent estimates from the conservative American Enterprise Institute and the Lewin Group say the number of newly insured would be more in the range of 7 million to 8 million.

Economists say neither proposal would do much to rein in health care costs, although both campaigns say features of their plans would help

For Bush, capping medical malpractice awards would lead to fewer meritless lawsuits, a drop in malpractice insurance premiums and substantial cost savings

Kerry says coordinating care for people with chronic illnesses would bring hundreds of billions of dollars in savings. He also would derive some savings from malpractice reform and permit prescription medicines to be brought in from Canada, a step he says would keep drug prices in check.

Dr. Phil, Kerrys have family talk

WASHINGTON - Sen. John Kerry had a very senatorial response when his elementary school-aged daughter asked where babies come from. He drew a diagram "She got so terrified she ran out in tears"

the Democratic presidential candidate said in an interview broadcast Wednesday on "Dr. Phil," a daytime television advice show. The interview was taped Sept. 18. Interviewed by host Phil McGraw, Kerry

and his wife, Teresa Heinz Kerry, discussed raising children through a divorce and politics and blending their families after entering what was a second marriage for both.

Kerry has two daughters, Alexandra and a, from a marriage that ended in divorce. Heinz Kerry has three sons - John, Andre and Chris - with her late husband. All of their children are now in their 20s and 30s. Kerry opened up some about the divorce

in 1988 from his first wife, Julia Thorne. Kerry said together they reassured their daughters, then 9 and 6, that they would be there for them.

Kerry said he was nervous about remar-



Democratic presidential candidate Sen. John Kerry, D-Mass., hugs his wife, Teresa Heinz Kerry, left, with Dr. Phil McGraw, right, and his wife, Robin, after taping the "Dr. Phil" show Saturday in Boston

rying. He said Heinz Kerry didn't have as much trepidation because of an incredible 27-year marriage before her husband -Pennsylvania Republican Sen. John Heinz died in a 1991 plane crash.

Heinz Kerry said her sons have been sup portive when she is criticized for voicing her opinions on the campaign trail.

Laura shares fashion woes

By MICHAEL R BLOOD The Associated Press

BURBANK, Calif. - Laura Bush and Teresa Heinz Kerry have more in common than one might think.

At least according to the first lady The ever-poised Mrs. Bush and Heinz Kerry, the wife of Democratic presiden tial nominee John Kerry, met for the first time last week after the presidential debate in Florida.

It was a brief encounter, but Mrs. Bush said Wednesday that she felt a campaign-trail kinship with her possible successor.

"I could tell we had a lot in common. We even chose the same color suits to wear for that night," Mrs. Bush told Jay Leno on "The Tonight Show," recalling how she and Heinz Kerry commented

on their outfits. "I really do feel we are members of a club." Mrs. Bush said.

"We are the only ones who know right now what it's like for your husband to run for president in 2004. I'm sure we'd have a lot to talk about.

In an apparent attempt to avoid a fash-



First lady Laura Bush waves as she arrives on the set of the "Tonight Show with Jay Leno" after being welcomed by Leno, background, during the show's taping in Burbank, Calif., on Wednesday.

ion faux pas after the second debate Friday in St. Louis, she announced, with a wry smile, that "I will be wearing a blue

suit on Friday night." Visiting "The Tonight Show" for the third time since husband was elected,

Mrs. Bush stayed away from sticky topics like Iraq. Instead, she and Leno prattled about her two daughters, her hair-style and pontificating pundits.



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Teacher Kris Chang talks Tuesday about the damage from Hurrican Ivan at Tate High School near Pensacola, Fla., in the hallway outside her classroom. Chang spent much of the day calling the two dozen students in her homeroom class. Students return to school Monday.

Hurricanes wreak havoc on Florida's school year

The Associated Press

PENSACOLA, Fla. - Kenyata Johnson is worried that her 7-year-old son may become an aca-demic casualty of Hurricane Ivan.

The first-grader is among 92,000 Escambia and Santa Rosa county students who will return to their classrooms Monday after missing 19 school days because of the storm that slammed the Flori-

da Panhandle on Sept. 15. In varying degrees, the four hurricanes hitting Florida since August have affected all public schools and students this year. The 67 districts all have missed at least one day. Many missed a week or more. St. Lucie County. struck by Hurricanes Frances and Jeanne, missed 21 days.

That has parents and teachers concerned that children will be hurt academically and lose precious time needed to prepare for the Florida Comprehensive Assessment Test in February and March. The FCAT can determine if a student graduates or advances to the next grade. Poor results can lead to a school losing students

and, eventually, being shut down Johnson's son, Anthony Grandi son, doesn't have to worry about taking the test yet. Children take it for the first time in third grade. and Anthony is repeating the first grade because he did poorly last semester. Still. Johnson doesn't want him or his 6-year-old sister. Alexandra Burt, also in the first grade, to suffer because of the lost time

"I went out to Wal-Mart and

work at home and study their spelling words," said Johnson, 26, a certified nurse's assistant

Gov. Jeb Bush, while inspectstorm-damaged Pensacola High School, said the FCAT will be delayed for some school districts, but he will not let children in even the worst-hit areas skip the test altogether

"The counties that have had the largest damage and longest number of days out will be the ones unat will take the test last," Bush said. "We're going to be as flexible as possible, but we're not going to lower standards and we're not going to say 'Well, the trauma of this means that we're going to move back from our accountability system.

The children may get back on track if districts tinker with the state-required 180-day school year and regain lost time by canceling or reducing breaks and

teacher planning days.

Teachers say their pupils not only will have to deal with FCAT stress, but with the pressure put on them by what the hurricanes did to their community, destroy-ing or damaging hundreds of es and businesses

"Many of them are dealing with things that are outside of school loss of property, loss of possessions," said Lynnette Prevatte, an sions English teacher at Ransom Middle School in Cantonment, a paper mill town north of Pensaco-She hopes Bush will change

his mind about holding the FCAT, would hope the governor would take into consideration what has happened to this area.'

at least locally.

No plan B for more flu shots

DENVER - Josh Duignan got his first flu shot last year when his wife was pregnant with their first child. While son Ethan will get a shot this year, Duignan isn't sure whether he'll also get a chance to roll up his sleeve

Health officials nationwide are urging healthy adults and schoolchildren to skip the shot because British regulators have shut down a major flu-shot supplier. The news carries particular concern in Colorado, which was the epicenter of last year's flu season with 12.885 reported cases and the deaths of 12 children.

With 46 million doses now unavailable, the government says the 54 million flu shots left from a rival firm should be reserved for youngsters ages 6-23 months, peo ple 65 or older, anyone living with babies younger than 6 months and others in high-risk groups.

Duignan knows his pediatrician has enough doses to vacci-nate Ethan, now 7 months, but isn't sure whether he will get a

"If they turn me down, I don't know what I'll do," he said. "But I'm going to get one this year. I promised my wife I would.

The shutdown of flu vaccine production at Chiron Corp. has slashed supplies across the na-tion. Public health clinics in Georgia and Pennsylvania will lose nearly a third of their doses.

Minnesota canceled flu clinics for state employees and set aside vaccines for those at high risk. "Worst-case scenario, we will

probably more patients being hospitalized with pneumo said Dr. Wellington Liu, medical director of Kateri Medical Residence in New York City.

"It's kind of disappointing that we didn't have more than two sources to get the vaccine," complained Dan Knuth, 59, of New Brighton, Minn., who said he probwon't get a shot this year

"It shows the vulnerability of our health care system.

Kaiser Permanente, the nation's largest health maintenance organization, has between 40.000 and 50 000 doses left for Coloradans, but those may be nearly gone by Saturday, said Eric France, chief of preventive medicine for the HMO in Colorado.

"My reaction was, 'Here we go again,' "France said. "We've had five years of trouble with the vac-



Hospital volunteer Alice Outlaw, middle, reacts Wednesday as she receives a flu shot from administrative manager Rosemary Dudley, a registered nurse, right, as other volunteers at the hospital wait to receive flu shots in Augusta, Ga.

Breaking some eggs to make a vaccine

For a half century, flu vaccine has been produced by growing the virus in fertilized chicken eggs, requiring several months. Researchers are now working on new methods that would not rely on eggs.



 Each year, health expens an anyzonal and viruses to identify three target strains, which can change from year to year.

Target viruses are sent to vaccine makers, where each is implanted into separate eggs and incubated for months to allow the virus to grow.



Virus infected fluid is culled from the eggs and blended into a single vaccine that includes all three strains. The entire process takes at least six months.

Source: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention: National Institutes of Health

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cine supply. ... Doctors, nurses and patients are saying, 'Why can't we get it right?' " Health care workers can't legal.

ly bar insistent, lower-risk patients from getting shots but will try to persuade them to do other-





Father: Son not guilty of plotting school massacre

MARSHFIELD, Mass. - The father of a teen accused of plotting a Columbine-style massacre Marshfield High School said his son was framed by a former friend following a dispute over a girl.

Sixteen-year-old Tobin Kerns was arrested Sept. 17 after police turned up evidence of his alleged plan to carry out an attack that would coincide with the sixth anniversary of the Columbine shootings on April 20, 2005.

"There were specifically identified teachers, there were specifically identified students who were going to be murdered," Marshfield Police Chief William Sullivan said at a news conference Wednesday.

Ben Kerns told reporters that his son was innocent. He said his son hung out with three friends from school, who called themselves NBK, for "Natural Born Killers," a movie about a couple who go on a killing spree. He said his son may have discussed plans for violence, but he didn't think they would

have carried out the plan.
"I think it was a bunch of hot air," he said. "There was no real threat. Nobody had guns. Nobody had ac-

cess to guns Police said a search of the woods near Kerns home found evidence that an explosive had been detonated as a test. A Sept. 17 search of his home alleg-edly turned up diagrams of the school, including plans for which exits should be padlocked to prevent escape. Police also found information downloaded from Web sites about weapons dealers and hombs

Ben Kerns said his son was treated for post-traumatic stress syndrome this summer after considering suicide. He said he hasn't associated with the three other boys since he was discharged from the program in July.



Wednesday in Marshfield, Mass., to announce that a 16-year-old high school student was in custody after police uncovered a plot that allegedly included plans to kill teachers, students, police and firefighters. The boy was arrested Sept. 17.

Kerns said his son recently had a falling out with one of the three teens, who spread a rumor that he'd slept with Tobin's girlfriend. He speculated that the dispute may have prompted the teen to tell police about the alleged plot and say his son was the ring-

reader.

Tobin Kerns was arraigned in juvenile court Sept.

20 on eight charges of threats to commit a crime. He was arraigned the next day on additional charges of promotion of anarchy and attempted murder.

At a hearing last Thursday in Plymouth, he was

At a nearing last inursialy in Pylmount, ne was found to be a danger to the community and was ordered held without bail for 90 days.

Some Marshfield parents and students were angry that authorities waited until Wednesday's news conference, three weeks after Kerns was arweated to describe the pull.

rested, to describe the plot.

"As a parent of a child at the high school, I'm furious," said Jim Hoey of Marshfield. "We have a right to know right away and to discuss these things with

School Superintendent Thomas Kellev said school officials did not want to jeopardize the ongoing police investigation.

Study: Substance treatment lacking

Juvenile justice system finds young offenders not helped with addictions

BY SIOBHAN MCDONOUGH The Associated Press

WASHINGTON - Nearly four in five young people arrested for juvenile crimes are involved with alcohol or drugs, and few are getting treatment, a study of the juve-

nile justice system finds. The five-year study by the National Center on Addiction and Substance Abuse at Columbia University said of the 1.9 million arrests of young offenders with substance abuse and addiction problems, only about 68,600 got some form of substance abuse

treatment The study of mostly 10- to 17-year-olds found that mental health services are scarce and most education programs for young people in the system fail to meet state standards

The study being released Thursday found:

■ At least 30 percent of adults in prison for felony crimes were incarcerated as juveniles.

■ Ninety-two percent of arrest ed juveniles who tested positive for drugs tested positive for marijuana; 14.4 percent tested posi-

tive for cocaine. ■ 50 percent to 80 percent of incarcerated juveniles suffer from learning disabilities.

■ 50 percent to 75 percent of all incarcerated juveniles have a mental health disorder.

The study urged a greater emphasis on assessing juveniles' needs and offering substance abuse treatment and other servic-

Mark Soler, head of the Youth Law Center, an advocacy group in Washington, said the response to children who break the law locking them up in a detention facility, the equivalent of a juvenile jail - is not helping them.

The study of 2000 data examined 2.4 million arrests of minors who ended up in the juve nile justice system; some 1.9 million had been involved with drugs or alcohol.

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FAA: Explorers' safety a priority

Budding industry waits for regulation

BY JOHN ANTCZAK The Associated Press

LOS ANGELES - Thrill seekers are plunking down six figures to ride rockets that haven't even been built yet, and a new airline called Virgin Galactic promises to be up and soaring in the next three years. Still, the budding space tourism industry faces myriad safety concerns — in the sky and on the ground – that must be resolved before any paying passenger takes off.

The rules that will govern the industry in the United States remain under discussion between federal regulators and rocket develop-ers, and legislation is still before Congress.

The pace of negotiations and the ultimate shape of the regulations could determine whether the sky-high enthusiasm for space tourism grows or wanes, especially among in

Federal Aviation Administration chief Marion C. Blakey this week visited Xcor Aero space, a rocket developer just down the Moiave Airport flight line from SpaceShipOne's home. She talked of partnership with the new industry and said it was important for the United States to be the world leader.

She made clear, however, that broad safety issues are the agency's topic No. 1

"Our first concern will be the safety of the uninvolved public, making sure that as this grows and develops that we're doing everything we can to protect the folks on the ground, to make sure that the people who go into space understand the risks," she said.



Jeff Greason, center, president of Xcor Aerospace, tours the Xcor hangar at the Mojave Airport in California on Sunday with FAA officials Marion C. Blakey, right, and Patti Grace Smith

"It will be a risky business for many years to come, no doubt

The FAA for several years has been studying what the average passenger will face from G-force and psychological factors, and what type of medical fitness he or she will require, Blakey said.

Xcor President Jeff Greason, who hopes to build a rocket plane that can fly off a runway, said talks with the government have come far but there is much work ahead on the regulato-

Greason said he is in total agreement that it is necessary for regulators to ensure that potential passengers have adequate information But he sees a "critical distinction" between the risk faced by the uninvolved public and

that faced by those who want to fly into space. "The involved passenger, the people who are deliberately putting their lives and treasure at risk to open the space frontier they've dreamed of their entire lives, as long as they know what they're getting into, I think they have to be allowed to take that risk," he said

Genesis samples arrive at space lab

HOUSTON - Thousands of samples from the Genesis space capsule have arrived at the Johnson Space Center, where the project's curator must assemble a giant jigsaw puzzle that could hold clues to the origins of the solar system.

Wafers on five collector panels that broke into thousands of pieces when the capsule slammed into Earth last month secured samples of atoms and ions from solar wind.

There are almost 3,000 tracking numbers for containers holding pieces of the wafers, Eileen Stansbery, assistant director of astromaterials research, said Wednesday.

The containers are stored in a locked room at the space center until scientists can figure out how to rid them of contaminants.

They will eventually be moved

to a clean lab, where they will be doled out to researchers. A majority of the atoms and ions will be studied by researchers who apply and are approved by an external advisory board.

"We did go out, collect a piece of the sun, bring it back and we do have it here," Stansbery said.

Gallery puts 'big pointy things' in perspective

BY RANDOLPH SCHMID The Associated Press

WASHINGTON - Past the towering rockets, suspended fighters and streaking jets, dazzled tour ists can take a few minutes to reflect on beauty as well as utility in the Smithsonian's National Air and Space Museum, which was to open a wide-ranging new art gallery on Friday

An acrylic painting of a Junk-ers W-34 cargo plane of the 1930s comes to life on one wall, a star-tlingly realistic work by Peter Lautenslager, the plane appears to be roaring out of the painting into the room.

Just around the corner a fabric swath by artist Mary Edna Fraser towers above, pink and blue twist and turn until the viewer realizes it's an aerial view. Specifically, it's Kiawah Island, S.C from above, a silk batik that unites art and information.

Those and 70 other pieces of art

line the gallery, a sampling of the more than 4,000 pieces of air- and space-related art the museum has collected over the years.

The gallery gives a human per-spective to the "big pointy things" in the rest of the museum, said cu-rator Tom Crouch, "it gives you a perspective on the rest of the mu seum vou can't get in any other

Art in the form of Eric Sloane's giant mural of sky and clouds at the museum's entrance has long greeted visitors to the Air and Space Museum's flagship downtown building. It previously had an art space, which was replaced by other exhibits. Now art is re-

turning in full force.
The collection is organized around donors, opening with sev-eral items contributed by the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, which has commissioned artists to record its projects

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YOUR MONEY

Identity thefts now seen to be more sophisticated

BY LESLIE BROOKS SUZUKAMO St. Paul (Minn.) Pioneer Press

ST. PAUL, Minn. - If you've seen those amusing commercials about identity theft but don't think the problem is really that bad, consider Paul Luehr's experience.

Luehr and his wife, Kathy Woodruff became victims of ID thieves a few years ago. The crooks got

This would have been another run-of-the-mill case of ID theft except for one stinging irony: Luehr was then the assistant director of the Federal Trade Commission in Washington, heading up a committee investigating how Internet crimes were beginning to include identity theft. Woodruff was an at-

torney for the Justice Department Luehr and Woodruff who live in Chanhassen, Minn., have lots of company. The FTC estimates that 10 million Americans were victims of identity theft last year

ID theft shot up 79 percent last year from 2002, affecting 3.4 percent of U.S. consumers, according to Gartner, a business research and consulting firm. One reason it's growing is that such thieves face only a 1-in-700 chance of getting caught. ID thefts directly cost businesses \$1.2 billion in 2003, Gartner estimates.

Credit card fraud was the most

common ID theft reported nationwide, the FTC Identity Theft Clearinghouse reported.

Luehr knows ID theft well. After his stint at the FTC, he moved to the Minnesota area to become an assistant U.S. attorney specializing in ID theft and Internet crimes. He learned about all the techniques thieves use to lift credit card. So cial Security and personal identification numbers without ever

touching a wallet. He recently left the U.S. Attorney's office and now works in Min-neapolis for Stroz Friedberg, a private computer-forensics consult-

ing firm based in New York. "They start with small purchases and, once that works, they'll go to a high-end retailer and change the address on the card." Luehr describing a typical credit card scam. "They really now own

That appears to be what happened to his spouse. The couple ar-rived home from a weekend getaway and received a disturbing call from American Express. Why had Victoria's Secret just shipped garments bought with Woodruff's card to a different address? She had not shopped at Victoria's Se-cret that week. And her card was still in her purse.

"It was very random and very disturbing." Woodruff said. "I was

They still don't know how her card number was stolen. Even though Woodruff ended up not having to pay for the charges, the episode was frustrating, she said Local police often put a low priority on ID theft because the crimes and victims may be separated by many states.

Still, cooperation is improving The FTC database on ID theft is allowing police to connect the dots on individual reports and snag large ID-theft rings

Hackers used to break into com-puters for kicks, but lately they're doing it for the money they can steal by lifting personal information, according to California-based Symantec, a major maker of Internet security software.

In Symantec's latest report on Internet security, E-commerce was listed as the most targeted industry for the first half of this year, with nearly 16 percent of attacks against it considered deliberate, up from 4 percent reported the previous six months.

Luehr is especially concerned about an Internet scam nicknamed "phishing," as in fishing for information. The research firm Gartner estimated that 30 million adults experienced a phishing attack in the year ending in April 2003, and that .78 million fell for it.

The scam uses e-mail that typi-



cally shows it's coming from a bank and details a problem with the recipient's account. It asks recipients to click on a link to a bank Web site, where the bank can double-check the account if they enter their account number, password and other confidential data

But the Web site is a cleverly disguised fraud and belongs to scam artists who may be hiding as far away as Russia. The thieves use the information to raid accounts or open up new ones.

"I call phishing schemes ID theft on steroids," Luehr said. Con

artists can blast out tens of thousands of messages at a time, and they've become quite sophisticated about disguising them.

Early phishing messages were often easy to spot with their common spelling or grammatical errors, but new ones copy the look and graphics of genuine Web sites.

Some use special computer lan-guage to disguise the long Web addresses in the browser bar, Luehr said. One trick is to take the victim to a genuine Web site and then insert a phony pop-up box over it, where the victim is supposed to enter personal information

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Commercial rates	
Bahrain (Dinar)	0.377
British pound	\$1.7753
Canada (Dollar)	1.2596
Denmark (Krone)	6.0608
Eavpt (Pound)	6.2352
Euro	\$1.2267
Euro Hong Kong (Dollar)	7.798
Hungary (Forint)	199.28
Iceland (Krona)	71.135
Israel (Shekel)	4.4643
Japan (Yen)	111.41
Kuwait (Dinar)	0.2946
Norway (Krone)	6.738
Philippines (Peso)	56.27
Saudi Arabia (Riyal)	3.75
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INTEREST RATES

Prime rate4.75
Discount rate2.75
Federal funds market rate1.75
3-month bill1.70
30-year bond4.97
Sources: The Associated Press, Bank of
America

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New IDs with new name

NEW YORK - You may change your name when you get married, divorced or even when you just feel like it. But a new name means you need new identification - to get a job, get paid, drive and do any number of things.

To change the name on your Social Security card, visit the Social Security Administration at www.ssa.gov and download the application.

Be sure to also notify the following: your employer (talk to your immediate supervisors. human resources office and the payroll department); the post office; anyone you pay bills to - including the phone company, utilities and your landlord; creditcard companies; banks and other financial institutions with whom you do business (be sure to change the name on any out-

standing mortgages, loans or

leases); insurance representatives; your lawyer (your name will need to be changed on important legal documents such as your will); the clerk of the county or district in which you are registered to vote; and family and friends.

Organizations you must notify about your name change may ask for your Social Security card or your driver's license, so change those first. If you're getting married or divorced, you may also need to supply a certified copy of the marriage certificate or divorce decree

The sooner you notify important people and organizations, the better. But if you're getting married, The Knot Web site reports, you should wait until after your honeymoon to change the name on your passport and other identification necessary for travel. Security checkpoints and customs may require that the name on your identification match that on your tickets.

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6			e In St. Louis, Presid sues at Washington I	lent George W. Bush University.	(R) and Sen. John	According to Jim "The Packer Ball" Kyle becomes a Packers fan. (CC)	Half & Half Gals go to a spa. (CC)	CSI: Miami 'Grand is engulfed in flame Grand Prix qualifier.	s and killed during a	Law & Order: Spec "Abomination" A ser group's poster boy i	cual re-education	Headline News	Saturday Night Live (CC)
7	AFN-ATL	Radio Free Roscoe	The Best Of Bertha's in Baltimore	Access Hollywood	(CC)	•WWE Raw		According to Jim "The Packer Ball"	Half & Half Gals go to a spa. (CC)	CSI: Miami 'Grand	Prix* (CC)	Law & Order: Sper "Abomination" (CC)	cial Victims Unit
8	NEWS	Dateline NBC (CC)	Deritas II Dalliture.	The O'Reilly Facto	r (CC)	CNN Saturday Mo	rning (CC)	20/20 (CC)	go to a spa. (OO)	Today (CC)		Abdilitation (CC)	
9	SPORTS	 SportsCenter 		Inside the NFL (C	(C)	College Football	Teams to Be Annour	nced.		•ESPNews	NFL Matchup	 SportsCenter 	 College Game- day
10	SPEC	What Not to Wear ' dancer's new duds.	Shifra" Flamenco	Trading Spaces		Crossing Jordan A while chasing down young prostitute. (C	a story about a	1-800-Missing 'Pilc agent teams up with partner. (CC)	f' A female FBI an unconventional	Marcel on a movie set. (CC)	sees George naked. (CC)	The Real World "San Diego" (CC)	Punk'd
	AFN-FAM AFN-MOV	SpongeBob (5:00) *** "X-Mer	Rugrats (CC)		99) Voices of Tony Go t Die" (2000, Action)			fless Light" (2002) N		My So-Called Life iwyneth Paltrow, John		The Simpsons	The Simpsons
14	TMC	* * * "The Americ	an President" (1995	, Comedy-Drama) M dent risks his politica	ichael Douelae An	+ "A Cun Thing" /	2002 Romanoo Con	nedy) Jason Lee, Ju- ikes up next to his fi-	(AE) + + "Doody to	Moor /Prot a Porto	A" (1004 Comodul)	Conhin Loren Marre	
24	PBS	Nova "Sex: Unknow	rgically castrated at	Antiques Roadsho trunks and a ringma to the Ringling broth	w "Chicago" Two ster's hat belonging	History Detectives Saxophone; Prison School Book" (CC)	"Charlie Parker	American Talent A excel in dance, mus ing. (CC)	mbitious teenagers	Soundstage "30 Or Featuring Russell C performs with his ba	dd Foot of Grunts rowe" Russell Crowe	Austin City Limits ner John Mayer per "Heavier Things." (C	Grammy Award-wir forms songs from (C)
25	SHOW	(4:45) *% "Aban-	*** "The Hunt f	or Red October" (1: narine heads toward	990, Adventure) Sear	Connery, Alec Balo	lwin, Scott Glenn. A	* * "The Hunted"	(2003, Suspense) To nnie Nielsen. A retir gon. 'R' (CC)	mmy Lee Jones.	(:35) * * "Jackass Knoxville, Bam Mar	:The Movie" (2002, gera, Chris Pontius. I stunts and gags. 'R'	Comedy) Johnny Knoxville and pals g
27	A&E	(5:30) *** "Rock! Meredith. Rocky sta	II" (1979, Drama) S ges a rematch with c	Sylvester Stallone, Ta hampion Apollo Cree	lia Shire, Burgess ed. (CC)	*** "Rocky III" (Shire. A merciless of	1982, Drama) Sylves contender forces Roc	ster Stallone, Burgess sky into a title match.	Meredith, Talia	* * "Rocky IV" (19 Vengeful boxer Roc	85, Drama) Sylveste ky Balboa faces a de	r Stallone, Talia Shin	e, Dolph Lundgren.
28	DISC	To Be Announced		Storm Warning!		Anatomy of Disas	ter	To Be Announced		To Be Announced		Junkyard Wars (C	C)
29	TFC	(:10) Pirated CD		(6:55) Magandang Gabi, Bayan	(:40) Home Along t	the Airport	Kontrobersyal	(:15) News	(:45) Magandang T	anghali, Bayan			(:45) Ek Channel
30	CNN-I	Larry King Live (C)	C)	CNNI World News	•World Sport	CNNI World News	Ebizasia	CNNI World News	•World Sport	CNNI World News	•World Sport	CNNI World News	Talk Asia
31	GOLF	•European PGA G	olf Dunhill Links Cha	mpionship Second	Round. From Scotla	nd.	•	Golf Channel Academy	•European PGA G	iolf Dunhill Links Cha	mpionship Third R	lound. From Scotland	I. (Live)
32	TLC	Trading Spaces: Fa Lane' Laura creates ward brings a garde	amily "Philly: Colket a playroom; Ed- n inside.	While You Were Ou Rhythm Garage" Dr room.	rt "Nashville: Global ummer-friendly rec	Clean Sweep "Esc Mountain" House or zines. (N)	ape From Magazine verrun by old maga-	Trading Spaces 'III Redecorating two live	nois: County Road' ing rooms. (N)	Trading Spaces "O Kia designs a masti signs a studio. (CC)	rlando: Smith Street' er bedroom; Hildi de-	Trading Spaces 'II Redecorating two li	linois: County Road" ving rooms.
34	TOON	What's New Scoo- by-Doo?	He-Man and the Masters of the Universe	Movie				Scooby-Doo, Where Are You!	Scooby-Doo, Where Are You!	Cartoon Cartoon (Cartoon shorts.	Flintstones	The Jetsons
35	ANPL	Most Extreme 'Bod pendages. (CC)	y Parts' Ap-	King of the Jungle		Most Extreme "The	Best of the Best Sp	ecial" The top 20 anii		cial "The Hippo: Afr er"	Hippos: Safari Spe- ica's King of the Riv-	Most Extreme "The Special" The top 20	Best of the Best animals.
36	сом	Mad TV "Christmas year-old visits Santa Stuart Christmas." ((i's sweatshop; "A DC)	Last Comic Standi who stays and who	ng Viewers vote on goes. (CC)	shares his thoughts	s Your Sign Live Co on people's intellige	nce. (CC)	Jeff Foxworthy: To The comic makes o (CC)	bservations on life.	Comedy Central Presents Steve McGrew. (N) (CC)	Blue Collar TV The past season. (CC)	best skits of the
40	NGC-A		Crittercam: WildTech Adven- tures Whales.	Baboon's Tale		When Dolphins Cr		Pantanal Cowboy I cowboys.		Pantanal 'Miracle o		Day of the Jackal	
42	SPIKE	(5:00) * * "National pean Vacation" (19	I Lampoon's Euro- 85) (CC)	World's Wildest Po	lice Videos (CC)	World's Wildest Po	olice Videos (CC)	World's Wildest Po	lice Videos (CC)	World's Wildest Po	lice Videos (CC)	WWE Velocity (N) (CC)
43	FOX	Stargate SG-1 'Fall feat Anubis' bid for o galaxy. (N) (Part 1 o	en" SG-1 tries to de- fomination of the f 2) (CC)	The Invisible Man	(CC)	Cops Bike sting nets an alleged shoplifter. (CC)	Cops Fort Worth officers break up a fight. (CC)	America's Most Wa	inted (CC)	She Spies (CC)		Mad TV A satirical : bate. (N) (CC)	2004 presidential de
44	BET	106 & Park: Top 10 Live	Access Granted Alicia Keys video.	College Football	Morgan State at Harr	npton. (Same-day Ta	pe)				Club Comic View	*** "Soul Food" Williams, Vivica A. I	(1997) Vanessa L. Fox, Nia Long.
46	COURT	I, Detective	I, Detective Two nurses shot outside hospital.	Cops A transvestite is arrested and re- leased. (CC)	Cops Man alleged- ly tried to commit suicide. (CC)	Forensic Files Notepad points to kidnapper.	Forensic Files Fin- gerprints taken off fabrics.	Psychic Detec- tives "Norma Hof- fer"	Body of Evidence: From the Case Files	The Investigators ' Carpenter'	Fatal Betrayal: Beth	Hollywood Heat	Hollywood Justic "Eminem"
48	STR-WLD	Roswell (CC)		Dark Angel (CC)		•Wrestling	•	Mutant X (CC)	•	Coupling (CC)	The Office (CC)	Cops (CC)	Baywatch Hawaii (CC)
50	LIFE	affair with a 13-year	-old student. (CC)	: All-American Girl' Imar Anguiano. A ma		Vaughn. A woman i	s possessed by the s	dace Cameron Bure, spirit of a murder victi	m. (CC)	Missing 'Puzzle Bo uncover a ring of im (N) (CC)	migrant smugglers.	What Should You I	
51	ABCFAM	** * "Casper" (19 friendly ghost and a	95, Fantasy) Christin lonely teen form a sp			Pregnancy throws a	wrench into a man's			3rd Rock From the Sun Dick's smoking trouble.	3rd Rock From the Sun Dick gets jeal- ous. (CC)	3rd Rock From the Sun Dick gets lone ly. (CC)	3rd Rock From th Sun Dick delivers a eulogy.
53	HIST	Toolbox Hydraulic jack; impact wrench. (N) (CC)	Sewage treatment technology. (N)	Wild West Tech "Na American Indians u weaponry. (CC)	se sophisticated	destiny in Deadwoo	d Gulch. (CC)	dges, Ellen Barkin, Jo			(CC)	s fascination with bre	asts and cleavage.
57	STR-MV	(5:15) ** s "Stark I Russell Fast. An uni man goes on a killin	g spree.	Thomas, Peter Coy	xtra-Terrestrial" (198 ote. A boy and a stran	nded alien forge a ur	rique friendship.	and civil disobedien	a non-violent strateg ce. (CC)	2000 defeat of Slo- y of honest elections	(:45) "Bollywood C		
58	ADV 1	(5:30) Twister Tours	Pain and Suffering Traverse		•Surfer's Journal	Nick's Quest Div- ing to find manta rays.	Nick's Quest "Sea Snake"	Total Adventure "Kayaking Peru" Rio Cotahuasi.	Total Adventure "Climbing Canada"	Chasing Time 'Rome'	Bolivia: Andes to		King of the Out- back Skies
59	MTV	The Real World "Philadelphia" (CC)	The Real World "Philadelphia" (CC)	Road Rules "Ex- treme: Chile" (CC)	Road Rules "Ex- treme: Chile" (CC)	Road Rules "Ex- treme: Chile" (CC)	Road Rules "Ex- treme: Chile" (CC)	Road Rules "Ex- treme: Chile" (CC)	Road Rules "Ex- treme: Chile" (OC)	Road Rules "Ex- treme: Chile" (CC)	Road Rules "Ex- treme: Chile" (CC)	The Real World "Pi	hiladelphia" (CC)
60	NICK	SpongeBob SquarePants (CC)	Invader Zim	Tomato Twins	Action League Now	WOW Weekend Ma	arathon: Rugrats An	ngelica Episodes of p	opular programming	The Amanda Show	SpongeBob SquarePants (CC)	The Wild Thorn- berrys (CC)	Hey Arnold! (CC)

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Afternoon
12:30 Meiji Shrine 63rd Special Sumo Tournament (12)
1:00 Traditional Arts of Japan: Noh & Kyogen (1) 2:15 NHK Japan School Music Contest (3) 3:25 FI Grand Prix: The 17th Round, Japan GP Preliminary (8) 4:00 AlG Japan Open Tennis 2004: Ladies' Sin-gles – Final (1) 4:00 Sankyo Ladies Open Golf: 3rd Round (12)

(22)
Evening
7:00 News (10)
Feed Ladies Wrestling World Cup (4)
7:00 News (10)
7:00 U.S. Movie (1995): Die Hard with a Vengeance (2:09)(8)
10:00 Athers Paralympics Highlights (3)(r)
11:00 Paralympics Highlights (3)(r)
11:00 Paralympics Highlights (3)(r)
12:04 E.R. Will (10)
12:04 E.R. Will (10)
12:04 S.R. Will (10)
12:05 Soccert Nabisco Cup Semifinals Highlights (8)

2:10 British-U.S. Movie (2001): Iris (1:33)(6) 2:15 Soccer: AFC Asian Youth Championship Digest (10) 2:20 MottoGP: Qatar GP Highlights (4) 3:20 U.S. Movie (1996): Another 9½ Weeks 1:30 Coca Cola Tokai Classic Golf: Final Round (8) 3:50 Classical Music (1)

JAPAN TV-BS7

Morning
6:00 Top News from Around the World
6:30 Top News from Around the World
7:00 Top News from Around the World
7:00 Top News from Around the World
8:00 World News Hour
9:00 MLES American League Divisional Playnesota Twins
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600 Japan Pro Ball: Pacific League Playoff Game 23. Futuraka Dalei Hawks vis Selbu Llons S

2:30 Motoder: 13th Round, Qatar GP High-lights 3:05 What's On Asia 3:30 What's On Japan 4:15 Weekend Japanology 5:00 PGA Golf Michelin Championship at Las Vegas, 3rd Round

JAPAN TV-BS11

Morning 8:05 Cartoon Afternoon 2:30 U.S. Movie (1966): El Dorado (2:10) Evening 7:00 NHK News

1:10 Indian Movie (1997): Preminchukundam Ra! (2:40)

Morning
6:10 U.S. Sevice (1993): Robocop 3 (1:47)
6:10 U.S. Sevice: Third Watch
9:00 Ty Series: Cist Crime Scene Investiga10:30 U.S. Movie (2002): Live from Baghdad
10:30
6:15:20
6:10:50 Afternoon
1:00 Chinese-1u.S. Movie (2003): Big Shot's Fu100 Chinese-1u.S. Movie (2003): Big Shot's Fu300 U.S. Movie (1998): Ghostbusters (1:50)
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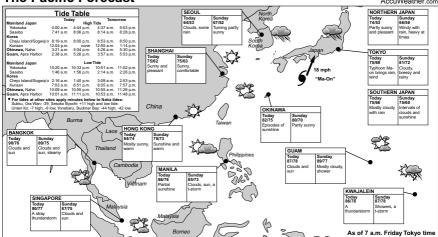
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Extended Forecasts

TOKYO Monday: Partly sunny, high 80, low 66. Tuesday: Partly sunny, high 74. low 66. KADENA Monday: Partly sunny, high 81, low 71. Tuesday: Partly sunny, high 82. low 73. SEOUL Monday: Periods of clouds and sunshine, high 70, low 44. Tuesday: Sunny, high 65, low 45.

MANILA Monday: Showers,

high 85, low 72. Tuesday: Thundershowers, high 85, low 71.

HAGATNA Monday: Thundershowers,

high 89, low 78. Tuesday: Thundershowers, high 90, low 79.

Thursday's USA Temperatures

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CITY	HIGH/LOW	CITY	HIGH/LOW
Albuquerque	71/48	Los Angeles	82/62
Amarillo	75/53	Little Rock	85/64
Anchorage	48/38	Louisville	80/61
Asheville	74/44	Miami	85/74
Baltimore	75/48	Milwaukee	73/58
Birmingham	83/58	Nashville	83/56
Bismarck	77/50	New York	75/58
Boise	77/52	Omaha	71/56
Boston	70/56	Orlando	84/66
Brownsville	86/72	Philadelphia	76/54
Buffalo	74/54	Phoenix	97/69
Burlington	70/53	Pittsburgh	74/48
Charleston, S0	79/56	Portland, OR	70/54
Charlotte	74/49	Portland, ME	70/45
Cleveland	75/56	Salt Lake City	74/48
Columbus, OH		St. Louis	80/63
Duluth	65/52	San Antonio	80/70
El Paso	83/55	San Diego	76/62
Hartford	74/47	San Juan	87/76
Helena	74/41	Tampa	87/68
Indianapolis	78/60	Tulsa	81/63
Jacksonville	81/61	Washington	77/56
Kansas City	72/62	Wichita	76/59



U.S. Extended Forecast

A wet Saturday is in store for the Mississippi Valley as two storm systems will spread showers and thunderstorms across the region. A tropical disturbance meandering in the Gulf of Mexico will trigger heavy showers and thunderstorms across southeastern Texas into the Florida Panhandle. Showers and thunderstorms will also affect the region as a cold front pushes through. Farther north, wet weather will accompany this front in the Northeast and into the Ohio River Valley. Much drier weather along with sunny skies will follow in the front's wake as a large area of high pressure dominates much of the West. Rain will accompany a cold front pushing through the Northwest.

Saturday's Pacific Temperatures

Saturday's World Temperatures

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Defeatism is a cancer

My friend's father was a hostage in Lebanon. His captivity denied him medical treatment for cancer in its early stages; the cancer became terminal and he suffered a slow death subsequent to his release.

Many of us who are serving our nation around the world are watching this election with many different perspectives. Many of us grew up in our teens watching the Iranian hostage crisis on television and were repulsed by the impotence of our leaders at the time

I was a brand-new Marine, just out of Parris Island, S.C., when a terrorist drove his truck into the Marine garrison in Beirut. A few years later, it was payback when we trounced Saddam Hussein in Operation Desert Storm. By that time, I was an intelligence officer with U.S. Central Command and I saw a new type of respect for our troops worldwide: Our military was the envy of all nations; the Soviets threw in the towel; we had a victory parade down Broadway and we participated in innumerable congratulatory celebrations around the globe for our victory.

We are facing a moment of truth right now. Are we going to retreat to the days of the Iranian hostage crisis or will we demand victory for our sacrifices? Some of our "well-meaning" citizens believe that we should be brought home. This did not save the life of my friend's father. It would condemn all of us, like him, to terminal cancer: the cancer of defeatism. We would slowly succumb to the terror cells that would multiply to attack innocent people around the world. The only option for our survival is vic-

We should demand this understanding from anyone who would be president. I never want my child to exist in a world where her rights to liberty and freedom are negotiable terms. Any policy other than victory would be a slow death for all of us Retired Army 1st Lt. Mel Gagliano

New York

Undeserving commander

Following the Florida debate last Thursday, President Bush said at a Co-

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lumbus, Ohio, rally: "I will never submit America's national security to an interna-tional test." He was deriding Sen. John Kerry's commitment to consulting our allies before rushing headlong into an avoidable catastrophe.

But hold on! What about Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon? Or one-time Iraqi exile and former neoconservative darling Ahmad Chalabi? Or Iraq's interim prime minister and suspected CIA asset Iyad Allawi? Or the oil-rich House of Saud? If we are looking for our national security being submitted to an international test, need we look any further? Didn't Bush take quite a few cues from [these men]? Why criticize "Old Europe" when a handful of neoconservative favorites have disastrously driven U.S. foreign policy for the last 31/2 years?

Clearly, Bush has flip-flopped on the "international test" and, in so doing, has failed the test. How can anyone take Bush seriously?

Ultimately, the Bush administration is about making the world a cushy place for its rich friends - at the expense of our

troops, who are willing to risk their lives for their undeserving commander in

> Ed Thornburg Würzburg, Germany

Thanks for the photos

I enjoyed the Archive Photo of the Day of Joe DiMaggio and Bob Wicker's story of the Yankee Clipper's surprise visit to the Stars and Stripes office in Darmstadt, Germany, in May 1962 (Stars and Stripes Web site, Nov. 20, 2003). It must have been around the same time that Joltin' Joe anpeared at the Hainerberg post exchange in Wiesbaden.

I was 14, on lunch break from ninth grade at Gen. H.H. Arnold High School. wolfing down a hamburger at the cafeteria, when the rumor went around that Joe was signing autographs in the PX next door. With \$2 borrowed from my English teacher, I ran to the sporting goods store, bought a baseball and stood in line for Joe A few minutes later I shook hands with him and got my treasured autograph — "Best Wishes, Joe DiMaggio."

My collection of autographed baseballs is small. The only other one I have was signed by a group of major leaguers who gave a baseball clinic in Germany. My dad took me to a breakfast at a Wiesbaden hotel for Frank Thomas, umpire Larry Napp, Joe Garagiola and others. Thomas had been traded from Pittsburgh to Cincinnati the day before. In his speech, Thomas said his trade had come as a complete surprise to him. Maybe he found out about it the same way the rest of us did, by reading it in Stars and Strines that morning

The photos of Elvis Presley in uniform in Germany on the Web site reminded me of my fellow Wiesbaden student, Priscilla Beaulieu. As smart as she was pretty, she dropped her Wiesbaden boyfriends to bene Mrs. Presley.

The collection of celebrities and soldiers whose images were captured somewhere by Stars and Stripes photographers over the years is remarkable. Thanks, Stars and Strines for Archive Photo of the Day and for awakening some great memories

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Looking at the news

A weekly sampling of U.S. editorial cartoons



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Divine compromise

NORWALK — Norwalk High School needed a little divine help before its football team took to the field.

to the field.

School athletic officials had sought the permission of Rabbi Yehoshua Hecht of Beth Israel Synagogue of Westport-Norwalk for a Friday night game next door to the synagogue

where the rabbi leads Sabbath services.

vices.

"A house of worship is a house of worship, and it is difficult to hold services when the cheer is not 'Halakha,' but 'Let's gol'." Hecht said. Halakha means Jewish law.

The high school's Friday night schedule is part of an agreement the Norwalk High School Bears reached with the neighborhood when the team moved to its stadium behind the high school. The agreement, which was negotiated in 2000, called on the team to avoid Friday night games and obtain approval from Hecht if a match was unavoidable for Friday night, the start of the Jewish Sabbath.

Hecht said compromise is a civic duty and he was happy to oblige.

Teen running for mayor

ST. MARY'S POINT — Erin Feehan-Nelson, running for mayor of this St. Croix River town, has a campaign slogan that's hard to dispute: "Uncorrupted by years of experience." The reason? She's 17.

The high school senior wants to be the youngest person ever elected mayor in Minnesota. Feehan-Nelson decided to run as a write-in candidate after learning that only one other candidate had filed for the office.

"The voters need to have a choice," she said. "That's what I'm doing, I'm giving the voters a choice."

Even so, state law says candidates must be eligible voters and at least 21 years old when they take office.

Kevin Corbid, director of elections for Washington County, said officials will count the write-in votes Nov. 2 and forward the results to the St. Mary's Point City Council, which serves as the city's canvassing board.

"The canvassing board will need to determine eligibility," Corbid said. "If someone is not eligible to hold office, the person with the next highest number of votes would be certified."

Feehan-Nelson said that if she receives the highest number of votes but is not certified, she is prepared to take the matter to court.

Lawyers defend name

FL FORT LAUDERDALE — A scrappy law firm has won the right to drum up business by advertising its phone number as 1-800-PITBULL.
Broward County Court Judge

Broward County Court Judge William Herring ruled the Pape & Chandler law firm's TV commercials using its controversial phone number and logo of a spike-collared pit pull is protected, despite objections from the Florids Bar

Herring rejected the Florida Bar's assertions that capitalizing on the image of "a ferocious animal" in the commercials is manipulative and violates state laws regulating legal advertisements.

Herring last week said the qualities the lawyers link to pit bulls are



"desirable traits in attorneys."

The law firm, which specializes in motorcycle crash litigation, has spent the last three years defending its use of 1-800-PITBULL.

Attorney John Pape said the logo was symbolic of their firm's "loyal-ty to our clients and to each other and tenacity, determination and aggressiveness in representing our injured clients."

Historian hits paydirt

TX AUSTIN — A historian thinks he's stumbled on a key piece of Texas history lost in box labeled "miscellaneous 19th-century papers." The first page of what Jerry

The first page of what Jerry Drake, an archivist at the General Land Office, believes is the original draft of the Republic of Texas Constitution is now on display after years of being hidden.

"This is tantamount to going back and finding an early draft of the United States Constitution," said Drake. "It's in chrysalis you can see how this thing is evolving."

Drake found the 13 pages, nearly all filled with the fancy script of Herbert S. Kimble's handwriting, three years ago. Kimble was the secretary of the Constitutional Convention of the Republic of Texas.

Since Drake's discovery, he has spent his lunch breaks at the Texas State Library to try to determine exactly what he had.

The San Antonio Express-News on Monday said the last time the document was seen was in the



Topping it off
Erine Shulyer, of Ace Tree Service,

Erine Shulyer, of Ace Tree Service, tops a dead Douglas Fir tree Tuesday in Corvallis, Ore. The tree was growing between a garage and a house, so it had to come down in sections so neither structure would be damaged.

early 1940s. Drake found the pages in among maps, land grants and other documents in the Land Office vault.

The constitution was written in 1336 as Gen. Antonio Lopez de Santa Anna and his troops battled with Texans seeking independence from Mexico.

dence from Mexico.

From his studies, Drake is convinced the pages are the first draft of the constitution.

Radio proposal

SALT LAKE CITY — With no idea how many people were listening to his walkie-talkie, it was anything but a modest proposal.

That didn't deter Jason Parker, a U.S. Forest Service Officer, from asking his girlfriend of three years, a police dispatcher, to marry him over the police radio.

Despite a few crackles, the message from Parker on Monday came through loud and clear — not just to Teri Yoakam, but to every police officer and CB radio junkie listening in.

The line was silent for a few moments before Yoakam said "yes."
"I didn't hesitate because I didn't know what I was going to say. I was just trying to come up with a really profound answer," Yoakam said. "I did manage to say a little more than yes."

Actually, Yoakam said, "I would absolutely love to." After that, a handful of police officers who overheard Parker chimed in with their responses.

"If you don't, I would have," was one reply.

The two met at work — Utah County's dispatchers take calls for the forest service.

Parker said he was originally going to sky dive onto the lawn in front of the Utah County Sheriff's Office or rent a plane to fly a trailing message, but he was worried the weather wouldn't cooperate.

Growth will help counties

WW MARTINSBURG — West with the control of the contr

Right to vote at issue

INI FREEDOM — The attorney general's office is investigating the right of residents of a campground to vote in town. The town agreed to extend site owners' stays at Totem Pole Campground from six to 11 months but rejected campers' right to vote. The town worries the campground would become a trailer park and the added and offers resvices.

New help in search

MN COUNT Commissioner
Joanne Fay is suggesting candidates across Mimesota hand out a
picture of a missing girl as they
campaign door-to-door. Fay called
LeeAnna Warner's parents and
they liked the idea, as did Fay's opponent. LeeAnna was 5 years old
when she disappeared last year.



Golden splendor

Weatherford Canyon on the San Francisco Peaks north of Flagstaff, Ariz.
Fall foliage is reaching its peak across the mountain.



A bit nippy out Nyssa Thebert, 7, bundles herself with her sweater Tuesday during an early morning outside assembly in Raleigh, N.C. Temperatures in the low 40s were forecast for the next couple of mornings.



Game OVer A couple of unidentified girls leave the soccer field at Ben Geren Regional Park at sunset ruseday evening in Fort Smith, Ark. The girls attended the Western Arkansas Soccer Association's U-10 girls game at the park.



Home grown Glory White unloads some home-grown pump-kins for sale at White's Farm, located in Ernul, son, despite the tremendous amounts of rain.



Autumn chores

Matt Luce of Troy, Maine, uses trimmer equipment Monday to cut brush under a maple tree near his home



Not walking, but in the spirit

Ule Pawlak, right, accompanies her son, Marc, to school on bicycles at Vucca Elementary School on Wednesday in Alamogordo, N.M. They joined more than 3,000 schools in the United States and 3 million people in 36 countries all of whom are participating in the seventh annual International "Walk Our Kiets to School Week."

Band goes too far

FLINT — For a few moments last weekend, the punk band Treephort was the hottest act in town.

But the group got into trouble at a downtown club when the lead guitarist set his thong on fire, then removed it and scurried around the stage naked.

The Atlanta-based band was about 20 minutes into its set Sept. 25 at the venue Flint Local 432 when guitarist Joe Klein dropped his pants, set fire to the thong and removed it. The bass player also stripped.

The club's management ordered

the band to get off the stage.

"They threatened to break stated policies of the club, and so we told them their set was over and asked them to leave," said club owner Joel Rash. The stunt violated the Local's insurance policy and city rules against open flames in the building.

Art auctioned by mistake

KS WICHITA — Matthew Cuellar went to an auction and came away ahead — a little too ahead, according to the city.

Cuellar bid on and won four pieces of James Rosati's 1981 sculpture "Upright Form V" that had mistakenly ended up on the auction block with other items the city kept in storage. Now city officials are trying to get it back.

Cuellar showed up at the sale Saturday — held every three years and casually perused the offerings. He spotted a shiny, 17-inch-long stainless steel piece set atop a stove.

He found two other similar pieces, one inscribed with Rosati's name. A call to a friend was placed, the significance of the find was confirmed and a bid was placed.

And for a mere \$20. it was his.

Two other pieces of the sculpture went up for sale later and Cuellar won them for \$230. But when Cuellar went to pay for the two others, auction workers realized they were dealing with more than scrap metal. They wouldn't ake his money and refused to turn over the remaining pieces of the sculpture.

The city attorney's office contacted Cuellar on Monday, asking him to return his half of the sculpture in

return for his payment.

Cuellar said that once he determines the value of the pieces, he will accept one-third to return it.

"If Td later found out it was just

scrap metal," he said, "the wouldn't give me my money back."

Town gets traffic light

MA WINCHENDON — This community, which still boasts granite hitching posts along Main Street, has finally gotten its

first traffic light.
"I think it is progress," Town Manager James M. Kreidler Jr. said of the light at the intersection of Routes 140 and 12.

After the state Highway Department did some reconfiguration work on the intersection, the state-of-the art traffic signal was put up. For now, the signal only blinks vellow, but will be fully operational

within the next week, Kreidler said. Kreidler said high traffic volume played a part in the decision to improve the intersection, and install the light.

Man gets just dues

NASHVILLE — A man who spent 22 years in prison for a rape he didn't commit be-

fore DNA evidence cleared him has been awarded more than \$800,000 in compensation from the state

Clark McMillan, 47, learned of Monday's decision through his attorney, Democratic state Rep. Rob Briley.

"Thank the Lord!" McMillan said over the phone, according to Briley. McMillan was released from pris-

McMillan was released from prison in 2002 after DNA testing on evidence revealed he could not have been the man who had raped a Memphis teenager.

Before his conviction, McMillan was suspected in other rapes and some victims identified him as their attacker. McMillan maintains his innocence in the other cases. Gov. Phil Bredesen exonerated McMillian about five weeks ago after a unanimous recommendation by the Tennessee Board of Probation and Parolle.

The state Board of Claims, mak-

ing its first award for wrongful imprisonment in more than two decades, also voted unanimously to grant the compensation.

Official found guilty

ALBANY — The former head of the state Bridge Authority pleaded guilty to attempt to defraud the state through his travel expenses. Officials found Jack Gaffney, 68, took four trips to Florida and three to Texas from February 1998 to February 2002. February 1998 to February 2002, to the state of the stat

Woman suing doctors

WI WAUKESHA — A woman is suing the doctors who gave her a face lift for showing her before-and-after photos to prospective patients.

The woman identified only as

Jane Doe in the lawsuit filed Monday, claims the use of her photos violates her right to privacy and fails to keep her medical records confidential as required under state law. The malpractice lawsuit said a

business acquaintance learned of the woman's plastic surgery through the photos, causing the patient emotional distress. "It's being done here as a promo-

to seing done nere as a promotional thing," said her attorney, Christopher J. Stawski. "They're using her image to get more business."

The suit asks for unspecified damages from Affiliated M.D.-Rejuvenation Center & Spa Ltd.

Cellblocks quarantined HOUSTON — Two cell-

blocks at a state prison were placed under quarantine after two innutes contracted chickenpox. The infected immates were moved to medical units at other prisons last week; 140 other inmates are being monitored for signs of the viral disease.

Airline adds flights

CASPER — Years of negotiations culminated in the first Northwest Airlines flight from Casper to Minneapolis. Two flights a day are now scheduled on new, 50-seatjets. Passengers on the inaugural flight included Mike Sullivan, a former Wyoming governor and ambassador to Ireland who was headed back overseas on business.

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J Horoscope

The moon is void of course, which, along with other planetary influences, could have a numbing effect. We must quard against the inclination to sleepwalk. If you can remain conscious under these stars, you'll learn something valuable or at the very least prevent yourself from becoming inconvenienced by rather annoving details.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (October 9). Your wisdom expands this year, bringing your stress levels way down and allowing you to flow with what's going on around you. Big opportunities in the next three weeks include using your talent to obtain a new and more lucrative position. Education figures into the picture in January. Love with

ARIES (March 21-April 19). Your winning ways make you first on the quest list. It's fun to know that your friends not only appreciate what you bring to the party but also admire you and wish everyone were a little more like you. Don't let it go to your head

a Taurus or Cancer is passionate.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Your solid nature attracts people less grounded, but you're strong enough not to mind much if others lean on you. That said, you still need time alone, preferably in nature, when you're guaranteed not to be interrupted

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). If you allow deals to go down without you or trust others to do errands for you, you'll most likely have to redo all that was done. This is one day when success really has more to do with showing up than anything else.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). The sky above you is vast, and the ground below you can be counted on for support. It's elemental facts like this that allow you to calm down and get back in touch with your purpose. Your well-being carries you through

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Relationships teach you what you're made of - the stuff of diplomats and peaceniks! All kinds of characters are trying to get along around you. Without you as the glue, many of these people wouldn't be in communication at all

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). There are many new people to

meet, and you'll be wondering whether or not you fit in. It doesn't matter either way as it's all about being comfortable with what you have to offer. Fake

what you don't know. LIBRA (Sept.

23-Oct. 23). When others hold you up or put the kibosh on your plans altogether, see this as an opportunity to do the unexpected. Dip into your

inner well of creativity. If you get stuck, call a Leo for advice.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21).

The luck of the draw favors you, so enter a raffle, buy a lottery ticket, or place your business cards in the fishbowl. Small outreach efforts produce big results when you've got what many people want.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). There is an artist inside you longing for more recognition. Don't fall victim to the thinking that there's no time for frivolous activities such as exploring your talent. In fact, there's no time not to do such things

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan 19). Your charm is unstoppable. It's no wonder you clean up on the romantic front. Keep in mind that you're much more attractive while in motion, though. If there's a task you've been avoiding, procrastinate no more

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). It's hard to be leisurely when finan cial issues are on your mind. Money will flow in when you're hip to the latest and greatest ways to make it. Find a way to dabble (perhaps taking a class) before you make a full commitment

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Breezy jaunts and easygoing geta-ways are featured. Don't wait for an invitation to take a drive — just get in the car and go! There's a simple fix for what ails a relationship. When you step away from the situation, you'll see this

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Yesterday's Cryptoquip: THE ORANGE GROWER IS FINALLY SEEKING NEW WORK. HE'S SO TIRED OF THE DAILY RIND.

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Today's Cryptoquip Clue: J equals O

Keep eyes away from others' PINs JUMB

Dear Abby: I have a pet peeve I haven't seen addressed in your column before. I use my debit card often at the grocery store. Many times when I'm entering my PIN number into the machine. I realize the person in line behind me is hovering close enough to

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read it. Is there any way I can politely ask someone to step back? Or better yet, will you please make people aware that they should give the person ahead of them some privacy? Last week I asked a man who was looking over my shoulder to please move away. He didn't move, and acted

like he didn't understand what I was asking. Please help.

- Nervous in Sunnyvale, Calif. Dear Nervous: In these days of identity theft, many people are nervous (and rightly so) about having their personal information stolen. Perhaps the individual hovering behind you did not understand English. However, had I been in your situation, I would have repeated my request in a louder tone. If he or she still didn't move, I would not have proceeded with my purchase until a security guard or the store manager had been summoned.

Dear Abby



Annie's Mailbox

Dear Abby: I'm 15 and go to a good school. I have a great relationship with my parents, but my sister is another story. She is 13, and sometimes she makes me so mad that I hit her or shove her against the wall, J know

it's wrong, but I can't help myself.

For example, today I couldn't find my key in my backpack. I remembered that my sister had it last. I told her to go and get the hidden key, but we fought about who should get it. She made me so mad I shoved her against the

she'd had the key in her backpack all along, and I got really angry and scared her half to death

She tattled and now I'm grounded. I know what I did was wrong, but how can I stop myself from hitting or shoving her in the heat of the moment?

- Abusive Sister

Dear Sister: One way to control an explosive temper is to walk away before you "blow. Take a 10- or 15-minute jog around the block until you get a grip. And while you're at it, medi-tate on the fact that your sister wasn't put on this Earth to get your goat. One day your parents will be gone and she may be the only family you have. Learn to forgive her for her imperfections because when it comes right down to it, none of us is perfect.

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Playing host at military locales

Dear Annie: This is in response to "Hawaii Tour Guide," the military wife who is stationed in Hawaii, and whose relatives visit too often.

I think one reason relatives impose so frequently is because many civilians believe military members are well-off financially. The only way for her family to know that it's a hardship is to snell it out for them. However, one does not have to be well-off to enjoy all that the islands have to offer. There are many free and low-cost things to do.

Become a yearly member of the zoo, museums, botanical gardens, etc.

And sending them off in the car on their own is not only a break for you, but an adventure for them, especially since they can't get too lost.

My husband has been in the Navy for 22 years, and we not only have made the best of it, but wonderful young adults in the process. Mahalo.

Happy Hawaiian

Wife Dear Happy: Thanks for the advice. We heard from severa readers who wanted to help out. Read on: From Hawaii: When we decided to move

here, we had family members say things like: "Now we can go to Hawaii and have a

place to stay. We would reply, "Wonderful! Let us know when you are coming, and we'll find you a hotel

and rental car at a good rate." I then ask their price range and offer to look for something nice I've stuck to that, and it works St. Augustine, Fla.: We have

enjoyed visits from a goodly number of folks from the U.S. and Europe. However, from the beginning, my wife knew exactly how to keep them from become ing a burden. Right off the bat. she sets ground rules: "I don't cook. I am not a chauffeur. I am not a guide. Here is the kitchen, and the supermarket is right

We have never had a complaint, but we have had many return visits. We even had one young Austrian for four months He is a marvelous cook and has since revisited us

down the road.

Hawaii: I offer to get visitors a hotel with my military discount and give them phone numbers to car rental companies. I also let them know that I am not on perpetual vacation, although I try to plan some beach time and dinners with them. We're here in support of our spouses, and it is stressful enough.

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Nursing mothers found to emit aphrodisiac

BY JUDY PERES Chicago Tribune

CHICAGO - The aphrodisiac people have been seeking for centuries may be as close as the next nursing mother.

Researchers at the University of Chicago reported Wednesday that breast-feeding women and their infants emit a chemical signal that increases sexual desire in other women.

"This is the first report in humans of a natural social chemosignal that increases sexual motivation," said Martha McClin-tock, a University of Chicago psychology professor and a member of the research

Dr. Irwin Goldstein, director of the Institute for Sexual Medicine at Boston University, called the finding "exciting,

"If they could identify the exact mole-

could be used to treat women with low libi-do," he said.

A 1999 study found that 32 percent of American women between age 18 and 59 suffer from low libido, or lack of interest

No drug has yet been approved to treat lack of desire or any other type of sexual dysfunction in women. But a testosterone skin patch developed by Procter & Gamble could be on the market next spring to treat low sexual desire.

Pheromones and other chemosignals are natural substances that influence mood and menstrual cycles when absorbed through the nose, although they may not necessarily be perceived as odors. In animals, pheromones regulate not only ovulation - post-menopausal rats have been shown to resume ovulating when exposed to the odor of young males but also female reproductive behavior.

McClintock showed in 1998 that women's sweat contains compounds that affect the timing of ovulation in other women, explaining why women who live together have synchronized menstrual cycles. But until now there had been no evidence that humans produce chemosignals that affect sexual motivation or behavior.

It's still not clear whether the substance produced by nursing mothers is a pheromone. Further research will be needed to discover its exact nature, researchers

In their study, McClintock and her colleagues collected the substance from 26 breast-feeding women in Philadelphia. The women wore pads in their nursing bras, which absorbed their babies' saliva as well as their own perspiration and milk.

They also wore special pads to collect un-derarm sweat. The pads were cut in piec-

Meanwhile, researchers in Chicago recruited about 90 women between the ages of 18 and 35. Over a period of two months, half the women were exposed to the pads from the nursing mothers; the other half

The participants were asked to swipe the pads under their noses several times a day. The participants kept daily logs in which they recorded their mood, their de-sire for sexual intimacy and their sexual activity, including fantasies of a sexual or romantic nature. The study subjects who had regular partners reported a 24 per-cent increase in sexual desire. Those without partners experienced a 17 percent increase. No increases were reported by those who were exposed to the dummy pads

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Mexican star pushing status quo's buttons

BY REBECCA LOUIE

New York Daily News

If a morality police existed for movies, they'd probably want to slap 25-year-old Mexican star Gael Garcia Bernal with a summons for making subversive films.

discovered the Audiences voung actor in 2002, in a pair of films that pushed against the barriers of propriety. First, in the art house hit "Y Tu Mama Tambien, Bernal played an adventurous Mexican teen involved in a menage a trois with a pal and an older woman. Then, he played a priest who impregnates a teenage girl in "El Crimen del Padre Amaro ("The Crime of Father Amaro"), which broke box-office records south of the border, despite the Catholic Church's demands that the film be banned

But when it comes to pushing buttons, the actor — whose thought-provoking new film, "The Motorcycle Diaries," opens in the States on Friday — prides himself on being a repeat offender.

"If people say something [is wrong], I would do it even more, just for the sake of playing around with them," says Bernal. "It's all about going against pre-conceptions."

Though several Spanish and Mexican stars—including Salma Hayek, Antonio Banderas, Penelope Cruz and even Bernal's "T u Mama Tambien" co-star Diego Luna—have earned varying degrees of success by courting Hollywood, Bernal flagrantly defies the status quo.

In "Motorcycle Diaries," he portrays Ernesto (Che) Guevara at age 23, as the future Communist leader embarks on a road trin through Latin America with his friend Alberto Granado (Rodrigo De la Serna).

Set in 1952, "Diaries" depicts the social awakenings of the alternately beloved and revited guerilla leader of the Cuban revolution. (Bernal, in fact, already played Guevara in a 2002 Showme movie about Fidel Castro.) The Brazilian film was based on Guevara's memoirs of the same title, and on Granado's book "Traveline With Che Guevara".

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And in November, Bernal stars
in "Bad Education," the new film
by Oscar-winning director Pedro
Almodovar ("Talk to Her," "All
About My Mother"), as a transvestite involved in a revenge plot
against a priest.

Though his runway-neady looks alone could guarantee a lengthy career, Bernal's intelligence and intensity suggest he's destined for more than pinup popularity. Quick to expound, eloquently, on politics and social injustice (lis anti-war plea at the 2003 Academy Awards received applause), Bernal uses his craft to explore and enrich his own life explore and enrich his own life

"I cannot remember when I didn't know about Che," says Bernal, who about Che," says Bernal, who are green in Guadalajarafefore green in Telenovellos.
"Che has so much to do with your
ideals as a young man His mythification, Che the icon, is not
three-dimensional. To have the
T-shirt (with his image] doesn't
mean much. With the film, we
wanted to bring that character
closer to ourselves."

To do so, Bernal studied the texts that inspired Guevara — including the French existentialists — and took seminars about 1950s Latin American culture.

"Gael was as curious about his own origins as Guevara was when he was 23, and had the same strength of character and honesty in looking at life," says "Diaries" director Walter Salles, who approached Bernal for the part after seeing his debut in "Amores

"During the day off or after the shoots, Gael was the first one go to [local residents] to find out more about what kind of life these people were living. In doing so, he was mirroring what Guevara had done 50 years earlier. Gael was very rooted in his own culture."



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Gael Garcia Bernal and Rodrigo de la Serna star in Walter Salles' "The Motorcycle Diaries." a Focus Features release.



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Rapper faces assault

Rapper Ja Rule will return to Toronto next spring to face a charge of assault causing bodily harm, a Canadian court ruled at a pretrial hearing.

A trial for the 28-year-old performer, whose real name is Jeffrey Atkins, has been tentatively set for March 7-11 in Ontario Court. The rapper didn't attend the hearing.

Ja Rule, known for hits such as "Holla Holla," is accused of being part of a June 5 altercation at La Rouge Nightclub in the heart of Toronto's club district. His lawyers have said the rapper will plead not guilty.

Hugh Hefner does Vegas

Hugh Hefner is coming to Las Vegas, where he'll have a vertical version of his Playboy mansion a nearly 12,000-square-foot love shack on top of the Palms hotel-casino's 40-story tower that's under construction.

The two-story suite will be named the Hugh Hefner Sky Villa. It will have its own glass elevator that overlooks the Strip, along with indoor and outdoor pools.

Olympians help kids

A 5-year-old swimmer got an Olympic-size helping hand from three of the country's most celebrated swimmers.

Paul Lovely, of Lake Forest, was the youngest member of a team racing in Disney's Swim with the Stars tour, which featured Michael Phelps, who won six gold and two bronze medals in the Athens Games, and teammates Ian Crocker and Lenny Krayzelburg.

The five-week tour across the country culminated Tuesday at Disneyland, where a three-lane pool was built on Main Street.

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Pro basketball

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Williams might not be welcomed back

The Associated Press

DAVIE, Fla. - Ricky Williams former teammates with Dolphins acknowledge that they need him. After all, they're 0-4 with perhaps the worst offense in the NFL.

But do they want him? "There are really two lines of thought, and I'm kind of debating between the two," guard Taylor Whitley said Wednesday. "You can either say, 'To heck with the guy. While we've been going 0-4 here, he's been out having a good time.' Or we can say, 'Hey, we need the help. Come on back.' I don't know.

After missing the first four weeks of the season. Williams wants to come out of retirement - but it might not be with the team he left in July. Gary Ostrow. an attorney who has represented Williams, said the 2002 NFL rushing champion hopes to receive clearance from the league to play again before the Oct. 19 trade deadline so he can be dealt by Miami

Williams, who has admitted to repeated violations of the league drug program, has asked the NFL for a hearing to clarify his status. The Dolphins say their understanding is he must serve a suspension for the rest of this season. and the NFL has declined to com-

"It's very murky water, and Ricky has asked for a clarification," Ostrow said. "He would like the option to play for another

Miami defensive end David Bowens said he would like to see Williams reioin the Dolphins, But Pro Bowl linebacker Zach Thomas said he doubted that help from Williams is on the way

"He will not be playing for the Dolphins," Thomas predicted "He's got too many things with media, and that's the reason he ran from it in the first place. He wouldn't come back here

Williams has expressed an in-terest in playing for the Oakland Raiders. Their coach is Norv Turner, who was Williams' offensive coordinator during his two seasons in Miami.

"The Raiders would fit Ricky's personality better anyway," Os-trow said. "But he may not have many options other than going back to the Dolphins. How many teams are going to have an interest in him other than Norv, who

has a relationship with him? Whether Miami would welcome him back is uncertain. He caused a lot of resentment by retiring in July, shortly before train-ing camp. The Dolphins haven't won a game since he left, and they're off to their worst start in 38 years going into Sunday's game at New England.

"It has been very difficult," coach Dave Wannstedt said "The guy was 65 or 70 percent of our offense. I don't think we would have redone our whole offensive line and started from scratch if we knew we were going to have to start from scratch at the running back position."

In the days following Williams' retirement, center Seth McKinnev called it selfish and stunid Williams then disparaged McKinney's blocking. Defensive tackle Larry Chester said Williams was acting like a bitter girlfriend and owed the team an apology.

Given so much baggage, would the Dolphins embrace Williams

"At 4-0 it would be a different story than being 0-4," Bowens "If we were winning, I'm sure people would be a little bit more negative. But since we're losing, people might be a little more optimistic. We could use all the help we can get.



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Sunday but plans to play against Tennessee on Monday night.

In-law's death adds to Favre's hard week

BY ARNIE STAPLETON The Associated Press

GREEN BAY, Wis. - For the econd time in less than a year, Brett Favre is dealing with a death in the family.

Favre's brother-in-law died after crashing an all-terrain vehicle on the player's property in Sumrall, Miss., Wednesday night. Casey Tynes, 24, the brother of Favre's wife, Deanna, was riding the ATV without a helmet when it flipped, Lamar County Sheriff Danny Rigel said.

Favre, recovering from a mild concussion, practiced Thursday for the first time this week, "but he just wasn't himself." offensive coordinator Tom Rosslev said

"It's been a tough week for him." Last December, Favre's father. Irv. died of a heart attack just be-Christmas. Twenty-four fore hours later, he threw for 399 yards and four touchdowns in a crucial 41-7 victory at Oakland.

When something like this happens, everyone comes together, receiver Donald Driver said, "We have to get behind him again ' The Packers face Tennessee on

Monday night in a matchup of dispirited 1-3 teams.

Favre hasn't missed a start since becoming the Packers' starter more than 12 years ago. Counting playoffs, he's started 212 consecutive games. It's the longest streak for an NFL quarterback.

Funeral arrangements are pending, but the Packers said Favre might miss practice Saturday and possibly the walkthrough on Sunday to travel to Mississippi.

Favre also is dealing with the losses of Pro Bowl center, Mike Flanagan who underwent knee surgery Thursday that he hopes can salvage his career, and backup QB Doug Pederson, who went on injured reserve Thursday with a broken rib and a torn muscle and broken bone in his back

Craig Nall was elevated to No. 2 quarterback

The team is also trying to solidify Favre's protection, and it's not an easy task without Flanagan whose replacement. Grev Ruegamer, had a distressing debut Sunday in the Packers' loss to the

J. Lewis pleas guilty to lesser charge in federal drug case

ATLANTA Raltimore Ravens running back Jamal Lewis pleaded guilty to a lesser charge in a federal drug con spiracy case

NFL briefs

will be tenced to four months in federal prison and two months in a halfway house, to be served after the regular season ends.

Thursday and

Lewis could be suspended this eason by the NFL, which said Thursday it would have no immediate decision

"I made a mistake four years ago, when I was 20 years old, that I am paying heavily for," Lewis said outside the courthouse fol-lowing his plea. "It's a difficult time for me. My family and friends were hurt more."

Sentencing was set for Jan. 26. The Super Bowl is scheduled for

Lewis, 25, pleaded guilty to using a cell phone to violate federal law by trying to set up a drug transaction more than four years ago. Under the plea agreement, which includes 500 hours of community service, drug conspiracy and attempted cocaine possession charges will be dropped.

The conspiracy charge can carry a minimum mandatory 10-year sentence, but as a first-time offender Lewis likely would have faced a shorter sen-

tence under federal guidelines. 'We will review the court documents from today's proceedings and announce a decision on league discipline as soon as possible, perhaps as early as (Friday). NFL spokesman Greg Aiello said.

Even if Lewis is suspended by the league, he has five days to ap peal, so he's likely to play in Sun-day night's game at Washington.

Lewis' trial had been scheduled to start Nov. 1

Lewis was accused of helping broker a cocaine deal for co fendant Angelo Jackson, a childhood friend, during conversations with a government informant in Atlanta during the summer of 2000. Charges against Jackson are pending

Panthers RB Davis expects to play Sunday

CHARLOTTE, N.C. - Carolina Panthers running back Stephen Davis said Thursday only a natural disaster would keep him from playing this weekend against the Denver Broncos. When first questioned about his

availability for Sunday's game, Davis grinned and said, "I won't know until Sunday." But when nushed on the tonic and asked what would keep him from playng, Davis replied, "A hurricane. Maybe a tornado or something

Even so, it's ultimately up to coach John Fox to decide wheth er to risk playing Davis this week or wait until next Sunday's game against the Philadelphia Eagles.

NFL injury update

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nury report provided by the league):
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Bills: C Trey Teague (knee) out; OT argers: RB LaDainian Tomlinson

(groin) probable.

Packers: QB Brett Favre (concussion)
probable; QB Doug Pederson (rib, back)
out for season. Patriots: WR Delon Branch (knee) doubtful; WR Troy Brown (shoulder) questionable.
Raiders: RB Tyronne Wheatley (shoulder) out 2-4 weeks.
Saints: RB Deuce McAllister (ankle) unlikely to play.

Fox anticipates it will be a game-time decision.

Davis, who rushed for a career-high 1,444 yards last year for the Panthers, missed the past two games following knee surgery to repair torn cartilage. He practiced again Thursday, but remains questionable on the team's injury report.

Colts looking for kicker

INDIANAPOLIS — If Mike Vanderiagt can't kick Sunday against Oakland, the Indianapolis Colts now have a backup plan

Vanderiagt is listed as questionable with a strained right ham-string, so the Colts worked out kicker Matt Bryant on Wednes-

day. He has not yet signed. When asked if Bryant would be used, Colts coach Tony Dungy "He or someone. We'll keep our eyes open. If it comes down to it, we can sign someone Thursday or Friday, probably Friday

The Colts, however, might not have a definitive answer on Vanderjagt until then.

Vanderjagt said Wednesday he has received treatment for his hamstring three times and that he was feeling better. He was hurt on a 46-yard field goal last week at Jacksonville

He didn't practice Wednesday and said he may not even try until

Vanderiagt said his hamstring was so painful Tuesday that he struggled getting out of bed, a chair and a car. He said it felt better Wednesday and Vanderjagt appeared upbeat about his chances of playing.

Bills accuse Patriots' Wilfork of cheap shots

ORCHARD PARK, N.Y. falo's Jonas Jennings and Chris Villarrial accused Patriots defensive tackle Vince Wilfork of taking cheap shots at them.

Bills tackle Jennings said Wednesday that he was still feeling a little lightheaded after sustaining a concussion, the result of a helmet-to-helmet hit from Wilfork behind the play during New England's 31-17 victory Sunday. Jennings said he was blindsided and that the collision cracked his helmet near the jaw. Villarrial said he was on the

ground during Rian Lindell's 33-yard field goal in the first quarter when Wilfork kicked him

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Oklahoma's Jason White, last year's Heisman winner, Texas tailback Cedric Benson, the nation's leader in

Elimination day in title chase

Three big games promise to reduce list of contenders

BY RALPH D. RUSSO The Associated Press

From the Coliseum to Athens, the national championship race will take shape and Heisman Tro-

College Picks

nhy contend ers emerge Saturday.

Siy games will match ranked teams, with the biggest of the big games being played in California, Texas and Georgia

No. 1 Southern California faces No. 7 California at the Los Angeles Coliseum: No. 2 Oklahoma and No. 5 Texas meet at the state fairgrounds in Dallas in the Red River Shootout; and No. 3 Georgia hosts No. 17 Tennessee between the hedges at Sanford Stadium in Athens.

"I'm asked if OU is a big game for us, and every game is a must game for us," Texas coach Mack Brown said.

The difference is the Oklahoma game is defining Brown's otherwise stellar career.

His Longhorns have lost four straight to coach Bob Stoops' Sooners in both embarrassing and excruciating fashion. Last season, the Sooners won 65-13 in the most lonsided contest in the 98-game history of the border rivalry.

"There's no number that we might have on Texas in the se-Stoops said. "It's a year-to-year thing."

Heisman Trophy winner Jason White is playing well for Oklahoma, ranking sixth in the nation in passing efficiency with 859 yards and nine touchdowns.

Texas tailback Cedric Benson leads the nation in rushing. He has said that given a choice between one or the other, he'd rather win the Heisman than beat the Sooners. The fact is, he'll probably have to lead the Longhorns past the Sooners to have a chance to win the Heisman.

Georgia has a four-game winning streak in its series against Tennessee, including the past three under coach Mark Richt who has turned the Bulldogs into

the team to beat in the Southeastern Conference East.

The Volunteers are coming off a 34-10 loss to Auburn, but with a win over Florida already on their record, beating Georgia would put them in control of the SEC

Bulldogs quarterback David Greene looked like Heisman mate rial last week when he threw five touchdown passes against LSU.

USC-Cal doesn't have the history of Oklahoma-Texas and Georgia-Tennessee, but it is every bit as significant. The Trojans have won 13 straight since losing 34-31 at Cal last season.

If the Golden Bears can make it two in a row over the Trojans. they'll validate themselves as national title contenders.

"There is a really fun buildup to this game," USC coach Pete Carroll said. "With what happened last year, it adds to it all. It brings more excitement."

While USC quarterback Matt



California junior Aaron Rodgers enters Saturday's game at Southern Cal with six touchdown passes, two interceptions, a 74-percent completion rate and a 190.3 quarterback rating this season.

Heisman hype, Cal's Aaron Rodgers is the Pac-10's leading passer, averaging over 300 yards per

game. The picks:

Saturday

No. 7 California (plus 71/2) at No. 1 Southern Cal: Golden Bears lead nation in scoring at 48.7 ppg. ... USC 40-24.

No. 2 Oklahoma (minus 7) vs. No. 5 Texas: Longhorns finally break through.... TEXAS 28-24. No. 17 Tennessee (plus 13) at No. 3 Georgia: Vols had won nine straight before Bulldogs took past four GEORGIA 31-20.

Louisiana Tech (plus 251/2) at No. 6 Auburn: Tech's Ryan Moats (185 ypg) outgaining Tigers duo of Williams and Brown (179 com-

bined). ... AUBURN 40-13. No. 8 Florida State (minus 191/2) at Syracuse: Seminoles

rush defense ranks fifth in nation. ... FLORIDA STATE 38-13. No. 9 Purdue (minus 111/2) at Penn State: Boilermakers QB

Kyle Orton has 17 TDs and no INTs. ... PURDUE 34-17. No. 24 LSU (plus 31/2) at No. 12 Florida: Tigers coach Nick Saban

is 1-3 against Gators. ... LSU 28-24. No. 13 Minnesota (plus 31/2) at

No. 14 Michigan: Wolverines have won 15 straight over Gophers. ... MINNESOTA 23-20. No. 15 Wisconsin (plus 3) at No. 18 Ohio State: Badgers have allowed only two TDs this season.

WISCONSIN 12-10. No. 22 Oklahoma State (minus 6½) at Colorado: Cowboys' Vernand Morency is third in nation

OKLAHOMA

STATE 30-21. Georgia Tech (plus 12) at No. 23 Maryland: Yellow Jackets have won five of past seven meet-ings. ... MARYLAND 27-20.

Mississippi (plus 17) at No. 25 South Carolina: Gamecocks have SEC's top rushing defense. ...
SOUTH CAROLINA 24-10.

Last week: 15-5 (straight); 8-11 (vs. points). Season: 85-14 (straight); 43-47-2 (vs. points).

College football schedule/

Weekend schedule

UNLV (1-4) at BYU (2-3)
Saturday, Oct. 9
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Pittsburgh (2-2) at Temple (1-4) Yale (2-1) at Darmouth (0-3). Cornell (1-2) at Harvard (3-0) Villanova (3-2) at Northeastern (2-2) St. Francis, Pa. (3-2) at Albany, N.Y. (1-4) Cinclinati (2-3) at Army (0-4). Penn (2-1) at Bucknell (3-1) Princeton (3-0) at Coljate (2-2) Brown (2-1) at Fordham (4-1)

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Division I-A team statistics Total offense

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Rushing offense



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LA	176	1093	273.3
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r Force	299	1297	259.4
est Virginia	244	1238	247.6
uisville	193	984	246.0
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abama	207	1137	227.4
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Div. I-A individual statistics

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rew, UCLA	80	669	8.4	167					
rrington, Cal	54	466	8.6	155					
proles, Kansas St.	111	611	5.5	152					
illiams, Memphis	147	752	5.1	150					
eterson, Oklahoma	87	546	6.3	136					
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yman, Cal	3	12	386	128.0
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wens, Hawaii	3	31	362	120.0
lass, Oregon St.	5	38	601	120.2
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olmes, Ohio St.	4	26	430	107.5
lowers, Nevada	5	38	524	104.8
ill, Washington St.		15	419	104.7
idgeway, Ball State	5	36	515	103.0
hilmore, Northwestern	5	41	496	99.2
lagan, Arizona St.	5	35	483	96.

Peeved Cassell joins Timberwolves camp

COLLEGEVILLE. Minn. Sam Cassell practiced jump shots at the end of practice Wednesday. looking right at home among his teammates on the Minnesota Timberwolves.

But Cassell was a day late for training camp at St. John's University and the 34-year-old guard skipped the team's media day and first day of workouts this week because he was unhappy about not getting a contract extension.

Charles Tucker, Cassell's agent, wouldn't comment when asked if the Wolves did anything to address Cassell's unhappiness, other than to say Cassell "has a better understanding" of the team's plans for him in the future. Cassell said talks were moving in the right direction.

Cassell's contract calls for him to be paid \$5.65 million this season and \$6.1 million next season.

Cassell said that's not fair market value for a point guard of his caliber. He blames the problem on a former agent he worked with when he played for the New Jersey Nets, and said the issue continues to plague him and accounts for his frequent trades.

"I won't be satisfied until I get what I deserve," he said. "It's going good; that's why I'm in



... My number is so low, it won't be something they've got to think about.

Meanwhile, teammate Latrell Sprewell is also hoping to work out an extension before the regular season begins.

"If I have to leave, I will," said Sprewell, who has one year remaining on his contract. "That's the bottom line. ... It's a great op-portunity to try and win a ring. but I have to do what's best for me financially."

Vice president of basketball operations Kevin McHale wouldn't comment on Cassell's situation, except to say he's glad he's in camp. But he said working out a deal with Sprewell before opening day seemed reasonable.

"We want Spree here." McHale said. "He's a tremendous part of this team — his talent, personality, energy."

Wagner leaves Cavaliers camp

COLUMBUS, Ohio - Cleveland Cavaliers guard Dajuan Wagner left training camp Wednesday to attend to a personal matter.



Orlando's Grant Hill participates in a scrimmage during the Magic's training camp this week. Reports indicate that Hill's troubleson ankle is holding up well so far.

The Cavaliers said Wagner returned to his home in Camden, N.J., but the team did not give a reason for his departure. The Cavaliers don't know when Wagner

will return. KYW-TV in Philadelphia reported Wednesday night that Wagner's sister was injured on Tuesday when she fell out of a school bus.

Magic C DeClercq might miss 3-4 weeks after knee surgery

ORLANDO, Fla. - Orlando Magic center Andrew DeClercq will likely miss 3 to 4 weeks while he recovers from his second knee

surgery of the year. The nine-year veteran might start the regular season on the injured list

Judge rules accuser's name will be revealed in Bryant's civil trial

By STEVE HENSON Los Angeles Times

VAIL, Colo. - Indicating he did not want to appear biased in favor of Kobe Bryant's accuser, a federal judge ruled Wednesday that the woman's name will be used in her civil suit against the Los Angeles Lakers star.

Meanwhile, the Colorado Bureau of Investigation determined that it will not release records of its findings in the criminal case, including results of DNA testing and of clothing, hair and fibers taken from Bryant and the 20-year-old woman who accused him of rape

The felony sexual assault charge was dismissed Sept. 1 more than 14 months after the encounter at a mountain resort when the accuser decided she would not testify

A trial in the civil case is not expected to take place until next year and could be averted if a settlement is reached. The woman has sued for unspecified damages for "ridicule, pain and suffering" since the alleged rape.

The woman's name was not used in pretrial court filings and hearings in the criminal case. However, it would have been used during a trial. Her attorneys have said that among the reasons she dropped out was that she lost faith in the criminal justice system because the court mistakenly released her name several times.

She will be referred to by name in the civil case. District Judge Richard Matsch said that allowing the woman to remain anonymous could be prejudicial to Bryant and ordered that the suit be refiled by Oct. 20 with her "true name disclosed."

The judge noted that the suit filed by the woman's attorneys de-tailed her account of the alleged rape and that Bryant's attorneys were justified when they wrote that "permitting these allegations to be made anonymously imposes significant prejudice and hardship on the defendant.

Matsch went on to say, "The parties appear as equals before the court and that fundamental principle must be protected throughout these proceedings."

Most mainstream media outlets have not identified the woman because of long-standing policies not to name alleged rape

District Attorney Mark Hurlbert could release as early as Friday a portion of the 4,000 pages of sealed records in the case

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Budget cuts force cancellation of Pacific Grand Slam's last leg

Stars and Stripe

For the second time in four years, the Typhoon Classic, sched-uled for this weekend at Torii Station, Okinawa, has been canceled, 10th Area Support Group sports officials said Thursday.

The 16-year-old tournament, the final leg of the Pacific interservice softball Grand Slam circuit, fell victim to budget cuts, Torii sports and fitness center director Michael Collins said.

Also Thursday, 18th Services sports officials at Kadena Air Base announced the Grand Slam's third leg, the Kadena Klassic, would be moved to Columbus Day weekend in the future because of Labor Day weekend weather concerns.

Collins said funding was cut

that would pay for, among other things, tournament officials and the labor force that maintains the field. He did not cite specific figures or say how much was trimmed, nor did he say how much would have been needed to run the tournament.

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None of the other services on
the island has yet stepped forward to pick up the tab. Mike
Walker, Marine Corps Community Services Semper Fit Athletics,
said such alternate financial support couldn't happen this year but
"it's possible" in future years.

Kadena sports officials said they would not take on an extra tournament this year but would move the Kadena Klassic away from Labor Day weekend, which has been plagued by foul weather three of the past four years. "Labor Day weekend has been cursed," said Dawn Pierce of Kadena's Risner Sports and Fitness Center, in announcing the move to Columbus Day weekend.

The Kadena Klassic slogged to a wet finish in 2001, was moved to November in 2002 because of an approaching typhoon Labor Day weekend and was interrupted last month by Typhoon Songda, with play finishing on Sept. 12, 10 days after the tournament began after the tournament began

The Typhoon Classic was called off in 2001 because of the

The 2004 Grand Slam season ends with Yellow Box of Okinawa winning two of the three major tournaments that were played; the July 4th weekend Firecracker Shootout and Labor Day weekend Kadena Klassic.

Sosa fined by Cubs for his early exit

From staff and wire reports

CHICAGO — Sammy Sosa was fined \$87,400 — one day's salary — for arriving late and leaving early for the Cubs' regular-season finale at Wrigley Field. Sosa arrived 70 minutes before

Sosa arrived 70 minutes before Sunday's first pitch, and he apparently left 15 minutes after the first pitch without putting on his uniform, according to security cameras in the team's parking lot. Sosa told the Chicago Sun-Times he was in the clubhouse until the seventh inning and also said he was tired of manager Dusty Baker blaming him for the Cubs' failures.

"It's certainly inexcusable for him not to be at the ballpark and not dressed with his teammates," General Manager Jim Hendry said.

The episode, following an injury-plagued season in which Sosa batted just .253 with 35 homers and 85 RBIs, has led to speculation the Cubs will try to trade

Sosa is to make \$17 million next season and the club has an \$18 million option for 2006 with a \$4.5 million buyout. If Sosa is traded, his 2006 contract becomes guaranteed and a 2007 club option is added at \$19 million with a \$4.5 million buyout.

Touring major leaguers to conduct clinic at Yokota

YOKOTA AIR BASE, Japan —
As part of their biennial tour of
Japan, a group of Major League
Baseball players will visit Wilkins
Field at 10:30 a.m. Nov. 6 for a
youth clinic and autograph session.

The clinic, open to ages 9-18, will be filled on a space-available basis the day of the event. Tickets are required and may be picked up for free at the East Youth Cen-

up for free at the East Youth Center beginning Oct. 18.
Call Fred McDaniels at DSN 225-7021 for more information

Reds' Vander Wal

becomes free agent

CINCINNATI — Pinch-hitter John Vander Wal chose free agency Wednesday instead of a demotion off the Reds' 40-man roster.

Vander Wal, fifth on the career list with 126 pinch-hits, signed with the Reds as a free agent in January, then tore knee cartilage while shoveling snow.

He was released and signed a minor league deal with Cincinnati while he rehabilitated the knee. He was added to the roster July 11 and hit .118 with two homers. He started seven games in right field

Vander Wal finished the season hitless in his final 24 at-bats, the longest slump of his career.

Thomas has surgery on ankle

CHICAGO — Frank Thomas had surgery on his left ankle Wednesday and might not be ready for spring training.

Thomas, who played in only 74 games this season with the Chicago White Sox, had debris removed from the ankle, a bone graft and two screws inserted. The operation was performed by Dr. Richard Ferkel in Los Ange-



A two-time MVP, Thomas will be in a cast for at least eight weeks and his recov-

ery will take 4½ to six months. The 36-year-old Thomas batted .271 with 18 home runs and 49 RBIs before being placed on the disabled list July 7.

Indians DH Hafner has elbow surgery

CLEVELAND — Indians designated hitter Travis Hafner had surgery on his right elbow Wednesday and is expected to be ready for spring training.

Hafner, who batted 311 with 28 homers and 109 RBIs in 140 games, played with pain for much of the second half of the season.

The team said Hafner, who throws right-handed, had loose bodies and bone spurs removed from the elbow. Hafner's elbow problems limited him to 10 starts at first base and forced him to miss the final week of the season.

Jacob Cruz leaves Reds CINCINNATI — Jacob Cruz re-

fused the Cincinnati Reds' attempt to assign him outright to the minors leagues on Thursday, opting to become a free agent. Cruz was the Reds' top pinch

Cruz was the Reds' top pinch hitter last season, going 14-for-55 (255). He also started 22 games in the outfield, first base and as designated hitter after he was promoted April 28 from Louisville of the International League. Cruz hit 224 overall with three

Cruz hit .224 overall with three homers and 28 RBIs.

Phils interviewing candidates

PHIIADELPHIA—The Philadelphia Phillies are wasting no time trying to replace Larry Bowa, setting up interviews with former managers Don Baylor, Charlie Manuel and Grady Little for next week. Baylor, who managed Colorado and the Chicago Cubs, will be in-

and the Chicago Cubs, will be interviewed on Tuesday. Manuel, who led Cleveland to a division title three years ago, will come in Wednesday. Little, fired by Boston after last season's playoff loss to the New York Yankees, gets his turn Thursday.

Bowa was fired Saturday, one day before the Phillies finished a disappointing, injury-plagued season with an 86-76 record.

Rangers claim Ryan Wing ARLINGTON. Texas — The

Texas Rangers claimed left-handed pitcher Ryan Wing off waivers Thursday and sent three players to their Pacific Coast League affiliate in Oklahoma.

Outfielder Chad Allen, catcher Ken Huckaby and left-handed pitcher Michael Tejera head to Oklahoma after appearing in 20 or fewer games for the Rangers last season. Allen played the most, hitting .241 with six RBIs.

Wing was a second-round pick by the Chicago White Sox in 2001, but he missed this season with tendinitis in his throwing sthoulder. He has spent his minor league career in the Chicago White Sox organization, going 22-14 with a 3.37 ERA in 52 games, 47 of them starts, all in Class A or below.

NBC switches to 5-second delay after Earnhardt slip at Talladega

The Associated Press

NEW YORK — NBC is adding a 5-second delay to its NASCAR telecasts after Dale Earnhardt Jr. used a vulgarity during a pos-

trace TV interview last weekend.
"We're disappointed for our
viewers to have to do this, but the
delay provides a level of protection against anything inappropriate going out over the air," NBC
Sports chairman Dick Ebersol
said Thursday.

Earnhardt was docked 25 points in the Nextel Cup standings and fined \$10,000 for his slip of the tongue in an NBC interview after his victory at Talladega Superspeedway, dropping him to second place with seven races left in the season. He will appeal the point penalty. Federal regulators have

cracked down on objectionable content on TV and radio since Janet Jackson's "wardrobe malfunction" during her halftime performance in the Super Bowl. CBS was fined a record \$550,000 by the FCC for Jackson's breast-baring incident.

NASCAR hands out 12 more penalties

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla. — A day after hitting Dale Earnhardt Jr. with a \$10,000 fine and the loss of 25 points for cursing during a postrace TV interview, NASCAR handed down 12 more penalties for rule violations at Talladega Superspeedway.

The hardest hit Wednesday

was Roush Racing, which received four of the penalties for making unapproved rear spoiler adjustments on the No. 16 Ford of Greg Biffle.

Biffle was penalized 25 points, and car owner Geoff Smith, also the Roush team's general manager, lost 25 points. Also, crew chief Doug Richert was fined \$25,000 and crew member Michael Hillman Jr. was suspended until Oct.

Sports briefs 20 and placed on probation until

Dec. 31. Biffle remained 21st in the

standings, falling to 46 points behind 20th-place Jeff Burton.

Two-time Boston Marathon champ Kelly dead at 97

BOSTON — John A. Kelley, a two-time Boston Marathon champion who became a central figure in the race's history by running in it a record 61 times, died at 97.

He died Wednesday night at a Cape Cod nursing home, stepson Dave DeLong said. Kelley had just moved into the facility from his Dennis home the same day.

Kelley, a former Olympian and member of the USA Track & Field Hall of Fame, won America's oldest marathon in 1935 and 1945 and finished second a record seven times. But it was his longevity for which Kelley will be remembered. He completed S8 Boston Marathons, also a record, and had 18 finishes in the top 10.

McDowell opens Dunhill Links with record 62 at St. Andrews

ST. ANDREWS, Scotland—Graeme McDowell matched a course record with a 10-under 62 on the famed Old Course on Thursday to take the first-round lead in the Dunhill Links Championship.

A former top college golfer at

A former top college golfer at Alabama-Birmingham, the Northern Irishman held a three-stroke lead over four players.

U.S. Open champion Retief Goosen, English Ryder Cup star David Howell and Peter Lonard of Australia all shot 7-under 65 at Kingsbarns, one of the three courses being used in the annual pro-am event. James Kingston of South Africa matched that score at Carnousties The top two players in the world rankings, No. 1 Vijay Singh and No. 2 Ernie Els, both shot 68 at Kingsbarns, as did Ryder Cup hero Colin Montgomerie.

"This was a 62 for a guy who doesn't know how to play the course properly," said McDowell, who missed a 10-foot putt for birdie on the final hole.

McDowell also had a 62 in the final round of the BMW International Open in August in Munich, where it came too late to put him into contention.

McDowell's score matched the C2 shot by Curtis Strange in the Dunhill Cup in 1987, when the course was shorter. England's Brian Davis tied the record with a C2 over the current course in the final round here last year and McAlpine also shot 62 this summer.McDowell's round contained 10 birdies, including four in a row from the 11th, One of them came on the 17th, the Road Hole, where he reached the green with a 7-junn and holde a 15-foot put for 7-junn and holde a 15-foot put for

Ferrero upset by Ferrer in Lyon Open

LYON, France — Third-seeded Juan Carlos Ferrero was upset by David Ferrer 3-6, 7-5, 6-3 on Thursday in the second round of the Lyon Open.

Ferrer will face Jonas Bjorkman of Sweden in Friday's quarterfinals.

Mikhail Youzhny of Russia, a semifinalist last year, overcame Agustin Calleri of Argentina 6-3, 6-7 (7-2), 7-6 (7-4). Youzhny faces Xavier Malisse of Belgium in the quarterfinals.

Fourth-seeded Joachim Johansson of Sweden beat qualifier Julien Benneteau 6-3, 6-4 and will play Robin Soderling, Jurgen Melzer of Austria eliminated Hicham Arazi of Morocco 4-6, 7-6 (7-4), 6-1 and next faces Vince Snadea.

Yankees need extra effort

A-Rod, Jeter help tie series with Twins

BY MIKE FITZPATRICK

NEW YORK - No more questions about Alex Rodriguez under pressure.

A-Rod and Derek Jeter teamed up to save Mariano Rivera, sparking a championship-caliber rally that carried the New York Yankees past the Minnesota Twins 7-6 in 12 innings Wednesday night, tying their playoff series at a game apiece

"I don't think I want to watch it again, it was certainly one of the memorable games," manager Joe Torre said. Yankees

Especially for Rodriguez, whose tying double in the 12th was the huge hit New York waited for all season. Jeter then dashed home on Hideki Matsui's sacrifice fly as the Yankees completed another improbable postseason comeback, overcoming a rare October failure by Rivera

"Alex had a little trouble settling in here, but when you do this at Yankee Stadium in a postseason game, especially coming from behind, God only knows what it's going to do for him, Torre said

"You couldn't get a bigger hit." After falling behind in the 12th on Torii Hunter's home run off Tanyon Sturtze, the Yankees re-fused to fold. No surprise, beleague record with 61 comeback wins during the regular season.

"We never doubted ourselves," Gary Sheffield said. "We've done this all season. There's no reason to think we couldn't do it again '

Still. Yankees owner George Steinbrenner hardly seemed im-

"We've won nothing yet, gang. Nothing, yet. We've got work to do," Steinbrenner said. "It was great to come back."

Corey Koskie keyed the Twins' eighth-inning rally with a tying double against Rivera, who blew a save in the postseason for only the third time in 33 chances.

Game 3 in the best-of-five AL series will be Friday night at the Metrodome, with Kevin Brown starting for the Yankees against

Jeter, Rodriguez and Sheffield homered earlier in this game, and it went to extra innings tied at 5. It staved that way until Hunter connected.

But Twins closer Joe Nathan was running out of gas. He had made 43 straight appearances without going more than one inning, but manager Ron Gardenhire sent him out for a third inning for the first time since May 20, 2003, in hopes of finishing it.

"He was still throwing 94, 95, 96 mph," Gardenhire said. "It's a

little disappointing. I probably left him out there too long. I didn't like our options."

Nathan walked No. 9 hitter Miguel Cairo and Jeter with one out in the 12th, bringing up Rodriguez, who hit only .248 with runners in scoring position in his first season with the Yankees.

He's making up for all that in October. A-Rod hit a ground-rule double to left-center on Nathan's 49th pitch, tying the score at 6 with his fourth hit of the game. It gave him three RBIs, and made him 6-for-10 in the series.

"This team never gives up." Rodriguez said.

Sheffield was intentionally walked before J.C. Romero replaced Nathan With the outfield drawn in, Mat-

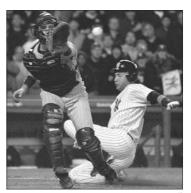
sui hit a liner directly at right fielder Jacque Jones that appeared too shallow to score Jeter from third

Jeter took off for the plate any-way, and Jones' throw didn't have much on it. First baseman Matthew LeCroy relayed the ball to the plate, but Jeter slid in safely.

"I didn't care, I was going no matter what," Jeter said. "Sometimes you have to force guys to make plays."

Paul Quantrill got one out in the 12th for the win, retiring rookie Jason Kubel with two on

"For us to have a chance to go



sota Twins catcher Pat Borders fields the wide throw as New York Yankees' Derek Jeter slides in to score the winning run on Hideki Matsui's 12th inning sacrifice fly on Wednesday.

up two games, 2-0, that was a couldn't put this one away. tough one," Nathan said. "I'm really disappointed with the walks Jeter led off with a long ball, and Sheffield and Rodriguez hit

their first postseason homers in pinstripes to help the Yankees build a 5-3 lead after seven in-

With two All-Stars in Tom Gordon and Rivera at the back of the bullpen, that was supposed to be the Yankees' foolproof formula for playoff success. But they

"I'm human." Rivera said. "It definitely bothers me. The team gave me a two-run lead and suddenly it disappeared."

The Twins have won Game 1 in eight straight postseason series, only to lose Game 2 the last four

"You get a chance to beat them in Yankee Stadium, you can't let them off the hook," Shannon Stew-

Angels still await spark from Guerrero, Anderson

BY KEN PETERS

The Associated Press

ANAHEIM, Calif. - Down the stretch the Anaheim Angels could always count on Vladimir Guerrero and Garret Anderson They're still waiting for the duo to get it

done against the Boston Red Sox.

Guerrero had a two-run single in the fifth inning Wednesday night, but he and Anderson are 1-for-16 overall in the best-of-five series - a prime reason why the Angels are heading to Boston down 2-0 after an 8-3 loss in Game 2

Trailing by a run in the eighth inning Wednesday, Guerrero came to the plate with a runner on first with no outs and struck out against Mike Timlin.

Boston went to reliever Mike Myers, and Anderson struck out, too, Anderson is 0-for-8 in the series.

Closer Keith Foulke then relieved and

struck out Troy Glaus to end what was the Angels' last real chance. Anaheim lost the opener 9-3 Tuesday.

Only four teams have come back from 0-2 deficits to win postseason series since the present playoff format was adopted nine vears ago.

One of the major league's most powerful offensive teams during the regular season, the Angels have been relatively punchless during the division series.

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in the fifth - put the Angels on

top 3-1. Anderson followed with a

liner to first base that Millar

caught before stepping on the

bag for an inning-ending double

Although they got a solid six innings by starter Bartolo Colon in Game 2, their offense couldn't muster much against Pedro Martinez and three Boston relievers

They have scored just six runs in the two games. Guerrero, who hit .337 with 39 homers and 126 RBIs to help Anaheim win the AL West, is just 1-for-8 with two RBIs in the series.

In contrast, Boston's Manny Ramirez, an MVP candidate like Guerrero, is 3-for-8 with five RBIs.



Boston Red Sox's Jason Varitek scores on a double by Orlando Cabrera as Anaheim Angels catcher Bengie Molina takes a wide throw during the ninth inning of Game 2 on Wednesday.

Sox: Angels' bullpen comes up short SOX, FROM BACK PAGE

Mike Timlin relieved Martinez to start the eighth, and gave up a single to Darin Erstad before striking out Vladimir Guerrero.

Francona then summoned Mike Myers, who struck out Gar-

Keith Foulke came on and fanned Troy Glaus to end the in-

The Red Sox broke the game open in the ninth, scoring four runs off Brendan Donnelly. Ramirez doubled, Trot Nixon hit an RBI single and Orlando Cabrera lined a two-out, three-run

Foulke retired the Angels in order in the bottom of the inning to earn the save.

"You know they feel good Scioscia called that a turning when they get to their bullpen, like we do." Francona said. "Not point.

The Red Sox tied it in the sixth only did we get the lead but we on Varitek's two-run homer after tacked on a little bit. Somewhere a two-out single by Millar.

down the line, that might help us. The Red Soy took a 1-0 lead in This bullpen has been invincithe second when Ramirez drew a two-out, bases-loaded walk from Rally Monkeys were every-

Bartolo Colon. It could have been where in the last two innings worse for the Angels, but with on the scoreboard and in the David Ortiz batting and the bases stands. But the Angels couldn't still loaded, catcher Jose Molina score after the Red Soy took the nicked off Bellhorn at second The Angels tied it in their half Guerrero's first postseason hit

on an RBI single by rookie Dallas McPherson before Martinez pitched out of a two-on, no-out iam.

Colon allowed seven hits and three runs in six innings. He was lifted after throwing 114 pitches and relieved by Rodriguez.

Astros take first step along playoff trail

Houston follows its ace in search of first playoff series victory

BY PAUL NEWBERRY The Associated Press

Roger Clemens could have been taking his turn in the car pool, doing some yard work, relaxing in front of the television

And miss this? No way.

The Rocket is a step closer to getting back to the World Series, and the Houston Astros are along for the ride.

"We're very happy when we see Roger Clemens on the mound," first baseman Jeff Bagwell said. "That's the main thing: Roger Clemens is pitching for us."

Picking up where they left off in the regular season, the wild-card Astros routed the Atlanta Braves 9-3 in Game 1 of the NL division playoffs Wednesday.

Houston is 0-for-7 in playoff series, losing three of its last four to the Braves. But there's a sense in the Astros' clubhouse

that this could finally be their year. It starts with Clemens, who retired after pitching for the New York Yankees in last vear's World Series. About two months later, he changed his mind, jumping at the chance to play not far from suburban Hous-

The 42-year-old pitcher can't do it alone, of course. The Astros have a lethal lineup that showed off its power in Atlanta, hitting four homers and setting a franchise record for runs in a postseason game.

"This team feels real good about itself," Bagwell said. "We came in on a roll."

The Astros carried over their momentum from the regular season, when they



Jason Lane's ninth-inning homer capped the Houston Astros' 9-3 playoff defeat of Atlanta.

won 36 of the last 46 games to claim an improbable wild card.

Houston sent 20-game winner Roy Oswalt to the mound against Mike Hampton in Thursday's second game. The NL East champion Braves can't afford to go down 0-2 in a best-of-five series heading to Houston, where the Astros have an 18-game winning streak.

"We have to win three of the next four games," second baseman Marcus Giles said, "but we have done that plenty of times

Brad Ausmus, Lance Berkman and Carlos Beltran homered off Braves starter Jaret Wright, who didn't make it through the fifth

Clemens showed the effects of a stomach virus that kept him from making his last

start of the regular season. The Hall of Famer-to-be had two wild pitches and walked six — all in the first four innings and the most he's given up in a game since

Clemens also had trouble with his footing on the mound, but displayed plenty of grit in winning a Game 1 start for the first time in his storied career. The Braves stranded nine runners in those first four in nings, when the Rocket was his most vulnerable.

He wound up lasting seven innings, throwing 117 pitches, giving up six hits and two earned runs, while striking out seven.

"I had to will my way through that game," he said. "Sometimes, it takes more than talent or more than a 95 mph fastball. You have to will it

> Wednesday Astros 9, Braves 3

to put off retirement, Clemens has been wearing a right-handed glove that was mistakenly sent to left-handed teammate Andy Pettitte, out for the season after elbow sur

The glove has Pettitte's name stitched into the side.

The Astros trailed 1-0 when Ausmus led off the third by homering into the left-field seats, sparking a four-run inning. Bagwell had an RBI double — the first extra-base hit of his postseason career - and Berkman hit a two-run shot into the Braves bull-

Beltran knocked out Wright in the fifth with another two-run homer.

The Braves, meanwhile, were squandering all sorts of chances.

When Atlanta loaded the bases in the first on Berkman's error and two walks, Clemens limited the damage to Johnny Estrada's sacrifice fly. When the Brayes put runners at second and third in the second, Clemens struck out Rafael Furcal, who may have had other things on his mind.

The Braves shortston was in the lineup just hours after being sentenced to three weeks in jail and four weeks in a treatment facility for his second drunken-driving arrest

He must report after the season, which could come sooner than he wants if the Braves don't start coming through with some clutch hits. Clemens walked the bases loaded in the third, but escaped by striking out rookie Charles Thomas.

The Braves put two more runners on in the fourth. Clemens took care of that by jamming J.D. Drew, whose shattered bat flew farther than his popup back to the mound

"I thought we had a pretty good game plan," said Chipper Jones, who went 0-for-4 with two strikeouts. "We got him to throw a lot of pitches early, but we missed opportunities.

Bradley, reporter clash over player's remarks

LOS ANGELES - Milton Bradley allegedly called a reporter an "Uncle Tom" after the Los Angeles Dodgers outfielder was asked how he was treated by St. Louis fans following a season-ending suspension for throwing a bottle into the stands

The confrontation occurred in the clubhouse at Busch Stadium after batting practice during an off day in the Los Angeles-St. Louis playoff series. Bradley fielded a question from Los Angeles Times reporter Jason Reid re garding fans during the Cardi-nals' 8-3 victory in Game 1.

It was the first game for Bradley after being was suspended for the final five games of the regular season by Major League Baseball after a bottle-throwing tantrum during a victory over Colorado in Los Angeles. Bradley was thrown out of that game after a fan threw a plastic bottle at him shortly after he made a costly error that allowed two runs to score

Bill Dwyre, sports editor for the Times, said that various reporters who were in the Dodgers clubhouse said that Bradley didn't like Reid's question. Ac-cording to eyewitnesses and Reid's tape, Bradley said, "You're an Uncle Tom. You're a sellout."

Reid, who is black, took offense at the insult and began yelling at Bradley, who also is black, Dwyre

"We're terribly unhappy on how and why this happened," Dwyre said in a statement. "We back our reporter from every angle of this. We also agree with the Dodgers in the sense that this is something that can, and will be worked out between these two

Bradley claimed Reid kept pushing the issue and wouldn't leave him alone.

"He was just one of those guys who wants to keep harping on it," Bradley told KCBS-TV. "I told him what I felt about the situation and I told him how I felt about how he was choosing to handle it He took offense to that and . started getting physical with me He had to be restrained by sever-al people in the clubhouse as, you know, I was walking away to leave the situation alone."

"Ultimately this is an issue that needs to be settled between the two individuals, and we will work with them toward that end," Rosen, the Dodgers' chief marketing officer, said in a statement.

Bradley last week apologized for the bottle-throwing tantrum and said he would seek help for anger problems.

Baseball playoffs scoreboard

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RACING STRIPES

A WEEKLY LOOK AT MOTORSPORTS

Lost for words

One slip of the tongue could decide next NASCAR champ

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sas City, Kan. Oct. 16 - UAW-GM Quality

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By JENNA FRYER The Associated Press

CHARLOTTE, N.C. - The moment the four-letter word slipped out of Dale Earn-hardt's mouth, NASCAR knew it had a huge dilemma on its hands.

The precedent had already been set for punishing drivers who cursed during broadcast interviews — a sizable fine, plus the deduction of championship points, which have a far greater value than any cash amount.

But docking points from Junior for using

a vulgarity in Victory Lane last week at Talladega had se-**Nextel Cup schedule**

vere implications: He'd drop from first to second in the points lead, giving up the top spot in the race for the Nextel Cup title.

Earnhardt ■ Knocking out of the lead would guarantee a nasty backlash from the army of Earnhardt loyalists.

sville, Va. Bass Pro Shops Oct. 31 — Bass Pro Shops MBNA 500, Hampton, Ga. Nov. 7 — Checker Auto Parts 500, Avondale, Ariz. Ariz Sov. 14 — Mountain Dew 500, Pov. 14 — Mountain Dew 500, Pov. 15 — Ford 400, Home-stead, Fla. ■ Not taking the points would be even worse, indicating favoritism to a driver

many believe already gets preferential treatment from NASCAR

In the end, it was not a difficult decision at all

NASCAR took 25 points from Earnhardt and fined him \$10,000 on Tuesday, a penalty that dropped him behind Kurt Busch for the points lead with seven events to go in the 10-race playoff system.

"It was really a no-brainer," said NASCAR spokesman Jim Hunter. "Are we getting angry e-mails from fans? Of course. But when we announced the Chase for the Championship, everyone asked us how we were going to police it. The answer was 'The same way we police everything else.'

"Just because he was the points leader, just because it changed his position in the standings, changed nothing. The rules are the rules and he broke them

In upholding the law - which, by the

way, only went into effect in February when NASCAR President Mike Helton ordered all teams to quit cussing on TV and radio — the sanctioning body created the possibility that the championship could be decided not on the race track, but off it for a non-racing violation.

Busch, who now holds a 12-point lead over Earnhardt, is hoping it doesn't hap-

overwhelmingly NASCAR's most popular driver. Busch well, is not.

Busch has been booed in Victory Lane numerous times, and realizes that if Earnhardt loses the title by 25 points or less, the winner will be vilified.

"I want to go into the last race with a 155-point edge and that way we won't have to worry about anything, Busch said. With seven races to go, any-

thing can happen. Earnhardt could race his way back into the lead, or he could wreck his way out of contention

"This is just a quick point difference that was 13 in his favor and now it's 12 in our favor, but we've got seven races to go," Busch said. "Hopefully, these 25 points won't come into the final factor because we want to beat him on the race track.'

Earnhardt and his Dale Earnhardt Inc. team are appealing the penalty, but the three-person panel selected from the National Stock Car Racing Commission rarely overturns a NASCAR decision.

DEI certainly realizes its chances of having the points restored are slim, at best, but is arguing a much larger point.

"We're facing a setback from a competi tion standpoint for something that should be considered a personal foul," said Richie Gilmore. DEI's director of competition. "I think we're the only sport that takes points off of the board after they've been scored.'



Dale Earnhardt Jr.'s team is appealing the 25-point penalty NASCAR levied for Earnhardt's use of vulgarity in Victory Lane on Sunday. The ruling knocked Earnhardt out of the Nextel Cup points lead with seven races remaining.

And that's where it gets murky. NASCAR can, and should, take points for illegal parts, blatant cheating, even rough driving. All those offenses are racing-relat-

But swearing? That's got nothing to do with competition

What's next? Losing points for wearing an ugly firesuit? Not quite, NASCAR says. But the sanctioning body defends its policy against swearing, pointing to its image as a family sport.

And in dealing with drivers who make tons of money - Earnhardt earned \$4,923,500 last season — fines just weren't getting the message across.

"We hadn't been able to find a monetary value that was effective in sending our mes sage for violations we were finding." Nextel Cup series director John Darby said. 'Taking points isn't something happy about doing. I've been lobbied very hard by crew chiefs to 'Make the fines as high as you like but don't take our points.' "It's a shame that it can affect the championship, but it's something we feel is work-

ing."
Don't count Earnhardt out just yet.
The field of 10 drivers racing for the title

has more or less been cut in half. Jeremy Mayfield is out of it, a wreck at Talladega knocking him 267 points behind the leader. Jimmie Johnson is in ninth

ace, a failed engine dropping him 159 points out Johnson can still climb out of his hole, and so can drivers Matt Kenseth, Tony Stewart, Elliott Sadler and Ryan Newman.

But for any of the bottom drivers to win the title, they'll need the front four to falter Busch, who has held to an aggressive

sting schedule, has shown no signs of "We're making so many laps that we're

trying to keep up with all of our notes," he

44 Just because he was the points leader, just because it

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> Jim Hunter NASCAR spokesman

NASCAR NEXTEL CUP

Race 30: Banquet 400, 3 a.m. Monday, AFN-Sports.

Last race: Dale Earnhardt Jr. temporarily held the lead in the standings after winning the EA Sports 500 at Talladega, but dropped to second after being docked 25 points and fined \$10,000 by NASCAR on Tuesday for using a

vulgarity during a televised post-race interview

Last year: Ryan Newman's gas gamble paid off as he won the Banquet 400. Newman drove the final 117 laps on one tank of fuel and held off a challenge from E Elliott to record his eighth victory of 2003.





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Nextel Cup race record Jeff Gordon, 119.394 mph. Sept. 29, 2002.

Kurt Busch leads Dale Earnhardt Jr. by 12 points in the driver standings. They are the only two drivers to record top-10 finish-es in each of the first three races of the Chase for the

Jeff Gordon has four wins at Kansas Speedway. ... Micha-el Waltrip is expect-

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BUSCH SERIES lay, AFN-Atlantic).

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fle for the most on the circuit.

Last year: David Green led just on lap down the stretch, but it was good enough to win the Mr. Goodcents 300 The race finished under caution when Bobby Hamilton Jr. crashed on the last lab

who won the season-ending race ahead of Kimi Raikkonen of Kimi Raikkonen.

Next race: Brazilian Grand Prix, Oct.
24, Sao Paulo.

INDY RACING

Next race: Chevy 500, Oct. 17, Fort forth. Texas.

Last race: Sebastien Bourdais held of Last race: sebastien Bourdais Reid on Newman-Haas, teammate Bruno Jun-quiera in a side-by-side battle to wir the Las Vegas 400 for his sixth victory of 2004. Bourdais won by 0.066 seconds the sixth-closest finish since 1979. Next race: Oct. 24, Surfer's Paradise.

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Pedro delivers 2-0 lead

Boston's ace back in form vs. Angels

BY JOHN NADEL

ANAHEIM, Calif. — Pedro Martinez has no explanation for his dreadful September. He's just glad to have pitched well to begin October.

Martinez worked seven effective innings, Manny Ramirez drove in the go-ahead run with a sacrifice fly, and the wild-card Boston Red Sox beat the Anaheim Angels 8-3 Wednesday night for a commanding 2-0 lead in the AL division series.

The Red Sox will try to sweep the best-of-five series on Friday at Fenway Park, where they went 55-26 during the regular season. Bronson Arrovo can put Boston

Bronson Arroyo can put Boston back in the AL championship series when he starts against Kelvim Escobar. Martinez had a 7.72 ERA while

Martinez had a 7.72 ERA while losing his last four starts of the regular season. He allowed three runs and six hits while walking two and striking out six against the Angels, retiring his last seven batters and leaving after 116 mitches.

"A lot of people doubted that man," Boston catcher Jason Varitek said of Martinez. "I never doubt that man."

Martinez, a three-time Cy Young Award winner, is 5-1 with a 3.19 ERA in the postseason.

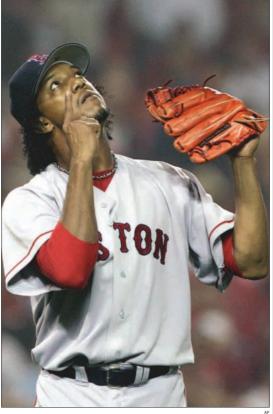
a 3.19 ERA in the postseason.
"He's a big-game pitcher," Red
Sox manager Terry Francona
said. "I thought he competed his
heart out. There were some situations where at any point in that
game if something doesn't go our
way, we could lose the game. He
gave everything he had to do
what he did."

Regarding his poor finish to the regular season, Martinez said: "I wanted to do good. I just couldn't do it. But thank God I turned it around, and now I feel like I can pitch better. My arm feels great right now. I feel strong."

The 32-year-old right-hander was so frustrated after losing to New York on Sept. 25 that he said: "What can I say — just tip my hat and call the Yankees my daddy. I can't find a way to beat them at this point."

He hasn't had trouble beating the Angels, going 9-1 with a 2.12 ERA against them in the regular

"This was probably the best stuff he has had against us all year," Angels manager Mike Scioscia said. "I think Pedro is terrific when maybe the situation gets a little hot. He gets an extra gear.



Boston Red Sox pitcher Pedro Martinez points to the sky after striking out Anaheim Angels' Chone Figgins for the last out of the seventh inning of Game 2 of the AL division series on Wednesday.

"Boston went out and did what they had to do. They won against one of the best bullpens in baseball. These two games, they've taken it to us. We haven't gotten into our game like we can."

The Angels don't have much margin for error now.

"They're up two games, but you

never know what's going to happen," Escobar said. "We're down two, on the road. I like the pressure."

The Red Sox scored the go-ahead run in the seventh off Francisco Rodriguez, who won a record-tying five postseason games two years ago to help the Angels win the World Series.

ler got an infield hit and Johnny Damon hit into a forceout. Mark Bellhorn walked before Rodriguez threw a wild pitch, putting runners at second and third. Ramirez then flied to center, easily deep enough to score Damon.

It was tied at 3 when Bill Muel-

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Jeter, A-Rod spark Yankees' 12th-inning rally that ties series against Twins

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